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CONSTITUTION, Atlanta, Ga.

THE ELECTORAL COUNT.

The vote of Oregon has been counted. The notorious eight contradicted their action in the Florida and Louisiana cases, and we have no desire to analyze the grounds upon which the pitiable squad of perjurers based their decision. If anything is lacking to complete their stultification it will doubtless be supplied in the South Carolina case.

Poor Hayes! he is to be pitied. He has agreed to root out of the republican party the last vestige of Mormonism and Chandlerism. He must do that to keep his pledges. If he keeps his pledges, the men who made him will unmake him. Those men will demand prominent positions under his administration. If he does not stand by them they will conspire against him. If he stands by them he will lose the confidence of the honest portion of the party. The democrats can not and will not support an usurper. Either way he will be subjected to a mental pressure that will render his term of service almost unendurable. The Chicago Times says if he is an honest man, he is under obligations to die of a broken heart, and if he is a scoundrel he may possibly terminate his existence in another way.

THE SAME STORY.

Foster, of Ohio, has been talking quite freely to our Washington correspondent, who telegraphs us the substance of the conversation. It is the old story of conciliating the south and breaking up its solidity. According to Mr. Foster, the south can have any reasonable amount of patronage that it may call for and he expresses the hope, in the event this patronage is given and accepted, that the democrats in this section will strike hands with the republicans, and thus sweep away all the issues of the "rebellion." All this is very nice but Mr. Foster ought to remember that Hayes cannot ignore Packard without admitting that the commission has been guilty of the grossest fraud. The solid south has no favors to ask from a president counted in by the methods of knavery, and Hayes will be consistent if he begins his term as consistently as he will end it.

THE DEMOCRATIC CAUCUS YESTERDAY.

At a caucus of democrats in Washington last night—some seventy-five members being present—the committee on the powers and privileges of the house of representatives were instructed to report a bill, amendatory of the law of 1792, providing for a new election in the event of a failure to inaugurate before the fourth of March, the president of the senate to act as president in the meantime. The proposed bill provides for an election in April.

The same committee was also directed by the caucus to report another bill providing for ousting an illegally elected president. The discussion of these measures is represented by our telegrams to have been very bitter, but there was no action taken in the direction of making dilatory motions, and it is reported that such motions cannot be effectually interposed unless representative men are instructed by state legislatures.

COMLY'S YOUNG MAN.

Hayes and his friends make haste to deny that the article in the Ohio State Journal in regard to the recognition of Packard and Chamberlain represents or may shape the policy of the fraudulent president. It appears that the editorial which has created so much commotion was prepared by a talented young man, who, in the absence of Brigadier-General Comly, the editor, discovered an old campaign communication which he licked into shape as a leader. This gives us a lively idea of the methods employed in editing what is technically known as "a live western newspaper." No journal in the west is perfectly organized unless it has an able young man who can embellish the editorial department with such literary gems as can be plucked from the uncongenial surroundings of an ordinary communication. We wish Gen. Comly and his young man well.

THE MEMBER FROM HABERSHAM.

Mr. J. H. Grant, the member from Habersham county, left for his home yesterday. He served his constituents faithfully during the past session, and while he made no speeches, he was an active worker, and was a very popular member. He was always at his post to vote, and as a member of important committees, rendered valuable service.

The democrats of Clarke county assembled in convention yesterday and elected delegates to the Gainesville convention, who were pledged to abide the decisions of that body. It thus happens that two sets of delegates from Clarke county will present their credentials to the convention—one representing the element of disorganization, represented by Mr. Emory Speer, and the other representing the democratic party of Clarke.

It is claimed, as stated in our telegrams, that the democrats are losing important advantages by the ultra conservative course of the southern leaders in congress, and a movement was set on foot in Washington yesterday to secure an immediate expression from southern legislatures on the duties of the house.

The solid south is not in a position to court the enmity of Hayes, but it is in a position where it can defy as well as endure proscription at the hands of a president elected by fraud. We are ready for the new administration in whatever shape it comes. It will find the south exceedingly solid.

Harriet Beecher Stowe has discovered that "there is no free-love nonsense among the birds." And yet it was from the innocent little birds that Henry Ward got his argument of nest-robbing.

The Sultan is keeping exceedingly quiet just now.

The sickest journalist in the west is Comly's young man.

An Indian Attack.

Deadwood, February 24.—A band of Indians attacked Spreadeagle City, a hundred shots were fired. No one was killed on the miners.

STRENGTH FOR TO-DAY.

Strength for to-day is all that we need,
As there never will be a to-morrow;
For to-morrow will prove but another to-day,
With its measure of joy and sorrow.

Then why forecast the trials of life
With such sad and grave premonition,
And waste and wail for a sword of life
That as yet have no existence?

Strength for to-day—what a precious boon
For the earnest souls who labor,
For the willing hands that minister
To the needy friend and neighbor.

Strength for to-day—that the weary hearts
In the battle for right may quail not,
And the eyes bedimmed with blue tears
In their search for light may fail not.

Strength for to-day, on the downhill track,
For the travelers near the valley,
That up, far up, the other side
Ere long they may safely rally.

Strength for to-day—that our precious youth
May happily shun temptation,
And build, from the lee to the set of the sun,
On a strong and sure foundation.

Strength for to-day—in house and home,
To practice forbearance sweetly;
To scatter kind words and loving deeds
Still trusting in God completely.

THE PEOPLE AND POLITICIANS.

—Blue glass eyes have long been in use, and with good effects.

—Mardi Gras seed are said, by those who know, to resemble "wild oats."

—Hugh A. Haralson's recent card has caused him to be the most interviewed man in the city.

—A few members of the legislature still linger about the city. The report that any of them are trying to smuggle their trunks out of their late boarding houses is purely sensational.

—There is a feeling in this city in favor of giving Fulton county six delegates, Cobb two and Clayton one, of the nine who are to go to the Con Con from this district.

—The comical face of John Owens, the comedian, who is to be our next theatrical visitor, is seen posted about the city.

—B. H. Hill, jr., James Banks, Esq. and a number of other Atlantans, will be present at the Gainesville convention to give Brother Carlos a lift.

—When the new capitol is built, it is insisted that there shall be a blue glass dome—purely experimental, to supply a deficiency o popular elections.

—Col. Tom Howard says that Hayes is evidently "going in by the directest route and across lots!"

—Those periodical letters from Atlanta will now cease to appear in our country exchanges. This will cut off a large supply of refreshing home news from our people

—The republicans of this city are preparing to move on Hayes in a solid phalanx

—One of the campaign slogans in the ninth district is: "Dum spiro, Speer-oh!" But there is no dumb about Speer.

—The editor of the Chattanooga Times has been sued for libel by a corn doctor. When the chirondists take after the press, the chase will be foot-ile.

—The Atlanta girls observe Lent by working book marks for their prayer-books and dancing on the back galleries.

—Governor Brown's condition is reported to have been improved yesterday, and there is reason to believe that he will now rapidly recuperate.

Turks and Their Wives.

Constantinople correspondence of the London News.

Having obtained a wife, it is worth while to inquire how a Turk treats her. I am not aware that she has much to complain of generally from the personal ill-treatment of her husband. The Turk in ordinary life is not unkind or cruel The wife's misfortunes arise from her position.

As husband and wife see little of each other, they are not specially given to quarrelling. But she is a woman, possibly purchased outright in the slave market, for it is pure illusion to suppose that the slave trade in Turkey has been abolished, and being a woman she bears about her on every hand the marks of degradation. It is her duty to wait on her husband, if he is poor, at meals. Her accommodation in the house is inferior to his. In all things she is his slave.

If the wife is the daughter of a wealthy man her lot is not a hard one. As the law regards marriage merely as a partnership, she keeps her own property, and the husband has to be on his good behavior to obtain a share of it If she is of poor origin she can hardly be said to have any rights.

On two or three occasions it has been my lot to travel in the steamers of the Austrian Lloyd's when we have had a harem on board. In each occasion the husband was in the saloon with the rest of us, living well and sleeping in a comfortable cabin. The poor women were penned up as deck passengers, living on wretched food which they had brought with them. Only a few weeks ago I traveled on a steamer carrying a harem, wherein were probably twenty women, wives and slaves, who were shivering under canvas, which was quite insufficient to keep out the pelting rain. I know that it is a thing almost unknown for a harem to have cabins taken for it. The husband takes care of himself, has, perhaps, as I remember seeing, unlimited champagne, and leaves his women huddled together on deck to take care of themselves.

I do not think it would be fair to charge the Turk with cruelty for thus treating his women. As an Englishman does not usually take a first class cabin for his servants, and the Turk with no more ill-will, or intention of harshness, than an Englishman who sends his servant third-class, will take the cheapest method of transport for his women.

A Blue Glass Man.

From the New York Mail.

He was a blue glass man. He had read about blue glass and believed in it, and was determined to be the healthiest individual in town. "Have you any blue glass, in strips for windows?" inquired he, as he rushed into a glazing shop. "We have, sir," was the cheerful reply; just the thing, as recommended in the Pleasonton theory." "Wual, then," said Bluey, "I'll take enough for four winders." He paid the money and departed, while the glazier chuckled, "Good thing for his fellows, the blue glass craziness." Bluey kept on. He went into an optician's and bought a pair of blue goggles to wear on his eyes. He dropped into a hat store and ordered a little round piece of blue glass put in the top of his hat in place of the usual tin ventilator. He then partook of a dinner of blue fish, at a restaurant with a blue skylight, dipped his fingers into a blue glass finger bowl, and refused to drink anything until the waiter hunted him up a mug with a blue glass bottom. The day was now spent, and going home in a blue light street car, the blue glass man, meeting his children at the door, refused to kiss any but those having blue eyes, sat down in blue chair to read a copy of the blue laws of Connecticut, and got into such a fit of the blues that he took some blue ink, and writing in his will that at his death the glass in his coffin should be blue glass, and his monument be made of blue granite, he grabbed a revolver and blew his brains out.

The Fraudulent President Blarneying the South.

Springfield Republican.

The new tender feeling of the republican organs and leaders toward the south is touching. Ben. Hill, to put down whom the campaign was mainly fought can doubtless go into President Hayes' cabinet, if he will. The average voter on the republican side must begin to feel a good deal as the negro did who thought he was hearing Whitefield preach, and went into spasms accordingly, but admitted, on finding his mistake, that he had rolled himself in the dirt for nothing.

A Thousand Rebs Gone.

Shreveport, Feb. 24.—The Bell Bowlaw with 1,000 bales of cotton, sank at Swan Lake. Nine lives were lost in a terrible storm. No lives lost.

NEARER AND NEARER.

THE BREAD-AND-BUTTER DEMOCRATS BOLT AND GIVE ORDEGON TO HAYES.

A Call from Washington for an Expression of Southern Opinion.

Hayes' Friends Deny Complicity in the Columbus Editorial.

A Hypocritical Whine from the Bombastic Conkling.

The Last Week of Liberty Closing Upon the Expiring Republic.

Degenerate in One Hundred Years, and Ready for the Master's Lash.

BELSHAZZAR'S TABLE.

THE INVITATIONS TO THE FATAL FEAST

The Bread and Butter Brigade to be Put to the Test, but let Them Beware of the Writing on the Wall.

Special dispatch to the Constitution.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 24.

PRESIDENT HAYES' BEST FRIEND.

I had a talk with Foster, of Ohio, to-day. Foster represents Hayes' district in congress, and made the now famous speech, in which he declared that Hayes would respect the best class of southern people, and

LET THEM CONTROL THEIR OWN AFFAIRS.

It is generally conceded that he had the very best right to speak for Hayes. He said:

"You people of the south have lost your president, but you have gained a great deal. You have gained control of your own state affairs. The days of carpet-baggers are gone; the days of ignorant and corrupt officials have gone.

Gov. Hayes is determined to put the best men he can find in charge of affairs in the south,

NO MATTER WHAT THEIR POLITICS

may be. He, of course will win the respect and sympathy of your people by this course. Indeed, with your states rights protected and your federal officials irreproachable, there is no reason why your people should not strike hands with the republicans, sweep away the dead issues that have

DIVIDED THE PARTIES IN THE PAST.

But, beyond all considerations of a political nature, the south deserves well of the country.

The splendid patriotism, and the wise statesmanship that has governed the southern congressmen in the late crisis, has won the respect and affection of the whole northern people. There can be no more "southern questions" in politics.

THAT HAS PASSED AWAY,

and new issues must be made. The south has demonstrated her fidelity to law and order, and has shown that she loves country better than party. A fuse of her sentiment will never make political capital again.

No southern man knows, or can ever know

THE WONDERFUL EFFECT PRODUCED

on the masses of the north by the heroic and lofty action of the south during the past twenty days."

Similar to this, was the remark that I heard Judge Stanley Matthews make to Ben Hill. Said he:

"We have been pushing the south back for years, and have told the people that you would ruin the country and destroy the union if you were put in power. We must confess now in the face of your late action

THAT YOU HAVE SERVED THE UNION."

This conservative action on the part of the south has greatly astonished the northern people who had been led to believe by the politicians that the south was anxious to provoke war, and only wanted a chance to do so.

The now evident purpose of Hayes to conciliate the south, takes definite and specific shape daily.

Several leading republicans have been making frequent inquiries of the Georgia members concerning

COL. E. C. ANDERSON, OF SAVANNAH,

and it is learned that many of this gentleman's friends are pressing his name for a place in the cabinet as secretary of the navy. The movement originates with a number of naval officers, who complain that civilians have always had charge of the naval portfolio, to the exclusion of officers educated in the navy and of course better capacitated

TO HANDLE THE DEPARTMENT.

These officers seem to have concentrated upon Col. Anderson (who stood very high in the ante-bellum navy), and in consequence his name is foremost in the desultory discussions that now occupy the public mind.

THE ATLANTA POSTOFFICE.

Colonel Candler had $16,000 appropriated to the building fund of the Atlanta postoffice to day The total appropriated thus far is $190,000. H. W. G.

STAND TO YOUR COLORS.

The Democracy of Clark Repudiate Sparing Outside of the Party.

Special Dispatch to The Constitution

ATHENS, GA., February 24, 1877.

At a full meeting of the democratic party here to-day resolutions to abide the result of the Gainesville convention were passed unanimously. The delegates elected are Moss, Hugins and O'Farrell.

BILLUPS PUT UP.

Morgan County Sends Up Her Favorite to Gainesville.

MADISON, GA., February 24, 1877.

At a democratic mass meeting to-day to elect to the Gainesville convention the delegation supporting Colonel Joel A. Billups was elected.

On motion of Colonel J. G. McHenry, the election was made unanimous. G.

HE DIDN'T DO IT.

BUT IT WAS ALL THE FAULT OF THE YOUNG MAN.

How the Young Man Writes Editorials—The Unerring Presidens Don't Want to be Misrepresented.

WASHINGTON, February 24.—Disavowals that Hayes in any way inspired the article in the Ohio State Journal regarding a recognition of Packard's government in Louisiana continue to come in.

The associate proprietors of that paper and the speaker of the Ohio house of representatives both telegraphed that Governor Hayes was not responsible for it.

General Comley, the editor, is seriously ill.

Speaker Grosvenor's dispatch says the article in question was originally a communication lying in the office, and was used by the young man in charge of the office in the absence of General Comley, which was occasioned by severe illness.

A Board of Brokers.

NEW YORK, Feb. 24.—The New York open board of brokers, at a meeting this evening, announced that the first floor of No. 21 Nassau street, was secured, and business will commence at 9:30 a. m. Monday. All stocks on the list of the New York stock exchange will be dealt, also Philadelphia and Reading and Pennsylvania Central, which have offices in this city.

A Question of Tin Tags.

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 24.—An injunction was argued in January last to restrain McDowell & Co. from impressing tin tags into the surface of plug tobacco as an infringement of a patent granted Charles S. Elder, and assigned to Lorillard & Co. The opinion of Circuit Judge McKennon was filed Saturday granting the injunction.

An Insurance Decision.

NEW YORK, February 24.—The decision on a policy for ten thousand dollars decided in favor of the insurance company. The company excepted on the ground that death occurred from surgical or medical treatment. The death occurred from an overdose of laudanum. [illegible]

A BOLT FOR HAYES.

A NUMBER OF DEMOCRATS RALLY TO THE STANDARD OF THE USURPER

And Thus Defeat the Action of the Caucus—Loud-Mouthed Speeches from Men who are Afraid to Clothe their Sentiments in a Vote—Tilden Betrayed by "Peace" Democrats, and Oregon Counted for Hayes—What has Become of the Double Returns from Vermont?

THE HOUSE.

WASHINGTON, February 24.—In the house McMahon offered a resolution to meet the senate at 1 o'clock on Monday.

Wilson offered a substitute to meet the senate immediately.

Adopted—145 to 85.

Then Vance moved a recess until Monday.

Ruled out of order.

A motion to reconsider Wilson's motion and lay it on the table was made.

The yeas and nays were taken on this, the object being to filibuster past twelve o'clock, when Friday's legislative day ends, when the motion for a recess may be entertained.

11:50 o'clock—Dilatory motions have failed. The senate entered. They will make a report on Oregon when a recess will be taken to Monday. The result of this morning's proceedings is regarded favorable to Hayes' inauguration.

The motion of Mr. Clymer (irreconcilable) that the house take a recess to 10 o'clock Monday, was defeated by ayes 107, nay 132.

This was by a standing vote. The ayes and nays are progressing. The result will be nearly the same, and a two hours debate on Oregon will occur.

The vote resulted 115 for, to 156 against recess and debate, and the count progresses.

Lane, of Oregon, moved for a recess to half past nine Monday.

Randall ruled the motion out of order, and the debate opened by Mr. Lawrence, of Ohio, in favor of maintaining the decision of the commission.

The committee on appropriations agreed to non-concur in subsidies for the New Orleans and Brazil and California and China mails.

At the end the two house reassembled in joint session and the vote of Oregon counted for Hayes and Wheeler.

Pennsylvania next opened, Springer and Tucker presented objections. They were signed by a sufficient number of members and senators, and allege a vacancy illegally filled by the college.

The houses separated, and the motion for a recess to 10 o'clock Monday was carried by 132 to 121.

SENATE.

Upon the return of the senate to its chamber at 12:10, Mr. Sargent, of Cal., submitted a resolution that the decision of the committee upon the electoral vote of the state of Oregon stand as the judgment of the senate, the objection made thereto to the contrary notwithstanding.

The debate was opened by Mr. Kelly, of Oregon, who denied that Watts was eligible as a presidential elector.

Mr. Conkling, who has been absent heretofore when questions of sustaining the decisions of the commission came up, said that in the Oregon case the state of Oregon intended to appoint a republican elector, and the people of Oregon intended to elect a republican elector, and voted for Mr. Watts. The commission had given its decision, and he disclaimed any intention of alluding to any of the reasons which prompted the decision of the commission, and believing that the state of Oregon intended to appoint republican electors, he should vote to sustain and affirm that intention and the decision of the commission. He was also opposed to impeding, in the slightest degree, the operation of the decision of the commission, and, on the contrary, was in favor of aiding and consummating at the earliest practical moment the decision sustained by the party vote.

The senate after two hours debate agreed to count the vote of Pennsylvania without discussion.

It seems to have been forgotten that there are two returns from Vermont, the highest democrat candidate of that state having cast his vote in place of a postmaster.

The feeling among democrats is becoming more bitter.

Ferry is reported as denying having duplicate returns from Vermont. They, however, will be called for when Vermont is reached. It is suspected that Ferry robbed the extra returns.

It has been found that Honore has not fully complied with the "subpœna duces tecum." Additional papers have been ordered and the committee will wait their arrival. No committees in session.

Julian, of Indiana, is here to argue the South Carolina case in behalf of the democrats.

SOUTHERN SENTIMENT.

DO THE PEOPLE ENDORSE THE COURSE OF THEIR REPRESENTATIVES.

An Expression of Opinion on the Subject—Their Course Deprives the Party of Its Advantages, Etc.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 24.—Effort has been made to-day to secure an immediate expression from southern legislatures on the duties of the house. It is claimed that the democrats are losing important advantages by the ultra conservative course of southern leaders.

J. B. Williams, jr., of Mobile, Ala., testified before the senate committee on privileges and elections in regard to the Chapel Hill church fight in Mississippi. He said the negroes did the first firing; that Bogon was four miles from the fight; he is the man that Outlaw saw killed the negro Charley Curry; that Henry Outlaw was one of the ring leaders of all the disturbances that had occurred during the canvass in Oktibbeha county.

Secretary Morrill is getting better. The president spent an hour with him to-day.

The house is caucussing to-night.

Nominations—W. H. Kennon to be postmaster at Columbus, Miss.

O'Mahoney's Remains.

CORK, February 24.—O'Mahoney's remains were brought from Queenstown in a special steamer, and now lie in state at Mechanics institute. The demonstration is small.

Tempestuous Weather.

BILBOA, February 24.—Tempestuous weather has prevailed for the past two days. One English and two French ships are reported lost with all on board.

The Cuban Vice President Dead.

NEW YORK, February 24.—General Aguilera, vice president of the Cuban republic, died yesterday.

The Postmaster Dead.

BALTIMORE, February 25.—General Andrew W. Dennison, postmaster, was found dead in his bed this morning.

The Ninth District.

Editors Constitution—The time is near at hand to select a representative from the ninth congressional district to fill the unexpired term of Hon. B. H. Hill. There has already been several good men mentioned in connection with that position, and with no design to say anything that would disparage any other gentleman's claim, I would respectfully suggest the name of Hon. L. G. Clement, of Forsyth, as a man in every way worthy the confidence and patronage of the voters of the ninth congressional district.

GWINNETT.

LET'S TRY IT OVER.

THE ACTION OF THE CAUCUS LAST NIGHT.

The Committee on Powers and Privileges of the House Instructed to Report a Bill to Provide for a New Election in Case of a Failure to Count.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 24.—Some 75 members were present in the caucus.

The committee on powers and privileges was directed to report a bill amendatory of the law of 1792 to provide for an election in case of failure before the 4th of March, the president of the senate to become president in the meantime.

The skeleton of the bill provides for an election in April.

The committee was directed to report another bill by which an illegal president can be ousted.

There was some bitter talk but no action looking to dilatory measures.

They will not be interposed effectually unless representative men are instructed by state legislatures.

JOSTLING THE JEWS.

THE PROGRESS OF THE EASTERN QUESTION.

No Concessions to be Made to the Jews—Russia Insists on a Warlike Policy.

BRUSSELS, Feb. 24.—Lenord publishes a letter from St. Petersburg declaring that England will obtain no concession from Russia short of an agreement for coercion of Turkey, in case the porte persists in the refusal to execute reform. England's present attitude might even precipitate Russia's decision to abandon an attitude which is neither for peace nor war, yet imposes upon Russia all war sacrifices

BERLIN, February 24.—Herr Von Forckenbreck has been elected president of Reichstag, and Prince Hohenlohe Langenburg and Herr Haufferinburg, vice-president.

CONSTANTINOPLE, February 24.—It is believed that a complete understanding will be reached to-day between the porte and the Servian envoy, the latter having accepted the Turkish conditions except those claiming equality for the Jews in Servia and the right of the porte to be diplomatically represented at Belgrade. Servia will be evacuated by the Turkish troops ten days after the conditions of peace are ratified.

LONDON, February 24.—A special dispatch from Berlin to the Pall Mall Gazette says it is stated in well informed circles that the czar will certainly await the powers' reply to Prince Gortschakoff's circular before attacking Turkey.

A Russian officer, just arrived from Kischeleff, gives a high favorable account of the Russian army, but it is positively asserted that Russia in no case will commence hostilities before March.

CONSTANTINOPLE, February 24.—An agreement between the porte and the Servian envoy was concluded to-day. Prince Milan will address a letter to the sultan accepting the Turkish conditions, except those claiming equality for the Jews in Servia and the right of the porte to be diplomatically represented at Belgrade. The sultan will grant Prince Milan a new firman determining the further relations of Servia and Turkey. The Persian minister has communicated a dispatch to the sultan from the shah explaining that the assemblage of troops on the Turkish frontiers is solely meant to prevent the depredations of a nomadic tribe. These assemblages have been ordered to cease.

THE CONVENTION.

Who Should be Delegates—Hon. W. A. Hemphill.

ATLANTA, Feb. 24, 1877.

Editors Constitution:—The legislature, after much debate and hesitation, agreed to submit the question of "convention" or "no convention" to the people of Georgia. There can be no doubt as to the result. The people are overwhelmingly in favor of remodeling our constitution, and I predict that the majority in favor of a convention will be more than twenty-five thousand.

The duty of the people is to send the very best men as representatives. The convention should be composed of men of integrity, of experience, of statesmanship and firmness in the path of rectitude and duty. To illustrate my meaning I will say that Fulton county should send men like Judge John Collier and Col. Evan P. Howell; Chatham men like Col. Rufus E. Lester, Hon. J. L. Warren and the untiring W. W. Paine; and Clay county should be represented by that man of brains Hon. R. E. Kennon. Wilkes county owes it to the state to send that veteran legislator, Judge W. M. Reese.

This body should also be well officered, and I am therefore glad to lean that Colonel William A. Harris has yielded to the suggestions of his friends and will be a candidate for the office of secretary. His administration of the office of secretary of the senate has won him a host of friends. He reduced the expenses of the clerical force from upwards of ten thousand dollars to about five thousand dollars. He accomplished this reform in spite of the clamors of a large body of seekers after places, who constantly harrassed him.

The expression of approval of the course of Mr. Harris on the part of the senators was unanimous. He was assisted very efficiently by Mr. H. H. Cabaniss and Col. C. J. Welborn. and if he is elected to the position of secretary of the convention, these gentlemen will render him the same valuable assistance. In these days when the people clamor for reform they must bestow office upon those who have accomplished real practical reform. This Col. Harris has done. The records may be investigated and the truth will appear that he is a genuine reformer. It is needless to speak of his other qualifications. The senators and the hundreds of visitors know full well how easily and efficiently the work was done. He and Mr. Cabaniss were pronounced the best readers connected with the general assembly. To reward him for his efficient work will be a grateful act. Such is the belief and wish of

SENATOR.

Illness of Chief Justice Moses

COLUMBIA, February 22.—Chief Justice Moses was attacked very suddenly about 10 o'clock to-night. While sitting in the parlor he complained of feeling unwell, and went to his chamber with the intention of lying down. A servant visiting his room a few moments afterwards, found him speechless. It was soon discovered that his left side was completely paralyzed from head to foot.

The attending physicians express the opinion that it will take ten days for the disease to develop itself. He is calm and collected, fully apprised of his condition, and in perfect possession of his mental faculties. Excitement and mental effort are supposed to be the cause of the stroke. He is said to have never recovered completely from the brutal assault made upon his character by the Mackey house. This was believed to be the cause of the first stroke, as during the delirium of his first illness he was constantly speaking of the matter.

His condition at this time is unchanged from that of the time when first attacked. A paralytic attack on the left side is generally regarded as exceedingly dangerous on account of its liability to affect the heart. The chief justice is 72 years of age, and the shock will therefore come attended with greater force and danger.

THE QUILL BRIGADE.

AN HOUR WITH THE NEWSPAPER MEN AT THE CAPITAL.

The Gorgeousness of a Correspondent's Life—Princely Salaries and Perennial Freshness—The Papers Supporting the Luxury.

Special Correspondence of the Constitution.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 20th.

To-day as Frank Alfriend and myself were coming out of the supreme court room, and cursing the partisan moth that had eaten through the ermine of the judges, he suddenly called out:

"How are you, George?"

A shortish, plaudish man, with a handsome frank countenance, whirled quickly, and returned the salutation. Thus I found myself face to face

WITH THE FAMOUS "GATH,"

more correctly, but less generally known as George Alfred Townsend.

"Gath" is the best letter writer in America. There is a raciness, a dash and sparkle about the most ordinary of his work that stamps it with individuality, and it gives a delicious flavor. The best letters that I ever read in a newspaper were written by him to the New York World, pending the impeachment of Andrew Johnson. They are perfect models of an abundant, vigorous and graphic style. They were as full of epigrams as Carlyle's best essays, with all the grace and color of Hazlitt, an Addisonian chasteness and perspicuity, yet alight here and there with a dramatic outburst, and spiced all through with a subtle and delicate humor.

They made "Gath's" fortune. He soon went to work upon the Chicago Tribune, receiving, it is said, a stated salary of $6,000 a year. It is quite certain that his income from his pen for the past ten years

HAS BEEN OVER $10,000 A YEAR.

The amount of work he has done is prodigious. While serving the Tribune, and giving it the brightest and smartest letters that were sent from the capital, he was constantly employed at special work on other journals. He kept a stenographic secretary, and after knocking about the capital an hour or so, would go to his office, and, as rapidly as he could talk, throw off a column or two of the wittiest and wisest things that ever went to print. His secretary would write off the letter at his leisure, and Townsend would busy himself with some other work

During the last campaign he was engaged upon the New York Graphic, republican, the Cincinnati Enquirer, democrat, and the Philadelphia Times, independent. He received

SEVENTY DOLLARS A WEEK

from each of these journals, and I suppose still draws the same amount. This gives him an income of $11,000 a year—or about three times as much as the governor of Georgia gets. His work leaves him time to lecure a little, write a lot of picturesque but irregular poetry, and attend scores and scores of gay parties.

His knowledge of current politics is something amazing. He has a keen scent for sensations, and whenever there is a notable stir in any section of the union he manages to drop into it somehow, and get to the core of it by an air-line method. In this way, catching two affable gentlemen, bequieting a sick man with some spicy stories on a noted statesman, he reported the conversation, neatly garnished with a a bit of comment, and in a jiffy he was head over ears

INTO THE GEORGIA SENATORIAL RACE,

and became one of its most important factors.

"Gath" is a high liver—spending money like water, and leaving not a whim unsatisfied. Little if any of the princely income that he receives, adheres to his careless fingers. He has, however, built an elegant home and given it proper adartments, where he hurries off once in a while for a few days' rest and recuperation.

Townsend, as all men of soul and vigor must do, has his loves among the great men with whom he is thrown in daily contact. Just now he has two passions in this direction,

BEN. HILL AND ROSCOE CONKLING.

These two men fill two not dissimilar idols in Townsend's mind; and per consequence, they have a casual biographer that for tender appreciation and manly strength of manner has few equals. It is a treat to hear Gath talk of Ben Hill, who has latterly taken possession of his soul and is yet illumined, as far as Gath is concerned, with a sort of auroral flush.

There are few pleasanter lines in which men's lots may be cast, than a correspondent's life in Washington For a young man, eager for information, and with a life ahead of him, the place has unequalled advantages. He is thrown into intimate association with the very first men of the country, and is made thoroughly familiar with current political history.

He meets on Newspaper Row, the

VERY BEST JOURNALISTS IN AMERICA.

Nothing is more important to a newspaper of pretensions than to be properly represented at the capital. At this point all the currents of thought and the subtle tendencies can be detected and defined weeks before they become apparent in what we may call "the provinces."

Hence, the leading journals have a corps of their most capable men here all the time. The Herald has a force consisting of Mr. Fitzpatrick, Mr. Nordhoff, Gen. O'Berne and Mr. Hudson, supplemented by such special workers as occasion demands. The Tribune has a staff headed by Z. L. White; the Times, by Mr. Reid; the World, by Mr. George Adams; the Philadelphia Times, a marvelous newspaper that has

JUMPED INTO A CIRCULATION OF 20,000

in a single year, by Mr. Moses Handy; the Cincinnati Enquirer, by a telegraphic correspondent, with "Gath" and Don Piatt as topical writers; the Graphic, by Mr. Bell and a competent corps; the Courier-Journal by Mr. L. O. Washington, and so on through the chapter.

Each of these papers has a handsomely furnished office on the "Row," in which the members of the corps meet nightly and arrange their dispatches for the morning press. In these meetings the policy of the Washington department is decided, and men and measures are raised or made triumphant.

THE ATLANTA CONSTITUTION,

with the exception of the Courier-Journal, is the only southern paper served by a special correspondent with daily letters and dispatches from this point, and its enterprise and pluck are made the subject of frequent comment. Its reputation as a leading southern journal is well established and growing rapidly. It will in time become the organ of political thought for the gulf states.

The Washington correspondents as a class are distinguished men. Most of them are authors of repute, Mr. Nordhoff of the Herald having an income of $5,000 to $10,000 from his various books. The most of them are men in well-to-do circumstances, Mr. Adams of the World paying taxes over $100,000, and many others being nearly, if not as well off. Their salaries run from

FIFTY TO ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS A WEEK

and the leading writers are allowed a private secretary. Many of them have outside work at which they manage to duplicate of often exceed their salaries.

They are not limited as to expense and the telegraphic bills of many of the papers will average $100 to $200 per day.

NOTES AND OPINIONS.

Jere Black the other day, alluding to the rumor that Senator Logan was a school-teacher in early life, said, "Humph! he was in early life a manager of the marital relations of the equine race."

Charley Maddox was discharged as a witness yesterday, and with a board of Florida witnesses starts home to-night.

I see the canvass in the ninth is warming up. I hope Jim Turnbull and Emory Speer will meet on the stump. Turnbull is going to charge Speer with having said that the people of the mountain counties gathered their corn by climbing up the hillsides and shooting it grain at a time through blowguns to their wives, who stood below. If this doesn't defeat Speer it ought to.

Ex-Post-Master Sheibley, of Rome, is here representing some new patent.

THE GEORGIA DELEGATION.

A short stay at the capital will convince the most obstinate advocate of rotation, of the wisdom that Georgia has pursued in returning her delegation to the next congress, that statesmen or even useful legislators are not made in a season. It requires years of practice to make really efficient lawmakers, and practice is sure to make it.

The Georgia delegation stands as high as any delegation in congress from any state. They are trained, self-reliant, well-informed, acute and influential. Wise enough not to be pert or noisy, they are, each of them, capable of taking care of themselves on the floor in any debate, and against any antagonist. I am really proud of the Georgia delegation, and other things being equal, or nearly equal, I am a firm advocate of keeping them in office as long as they are honest and attentive; for by this course only can we hope to have representatives who can properly guard our interest, or reflect honor upon the state. W. H. G.

THE MARIETTA AND NORTH GEORGIA RAILROAD.

The Governor Approves this Important Measure, which Opens Up Our Beautiful Mountains to the World.

I have approved an act entitled "an act to loan the Marietta and North Georgia railroad the net amount received by the state from convict labor and for other purposes," and deem it proper to record the considerations that have induced me to give such approval.

I am frank to state that I am opposed to the general principle and practice of state aid. It is wrong in theory, and has been demonstrated by experience to be burdensome in result. It puts the whole state under contribution for the benefit of sections. It taxes the entire people in aid of localities. It is almost impossible to guard against its abuse, and when abused it can have but one effect, and that is to cripple the resources and strain the credit of the state. It is as impossible to discriminate between sections as it is unjust to do so. Yet to aid all is impracticable. It has in every instance in Georgia ended in the imposition of pecuniary loss upon the state, and added to the complications of the state government the embarrassment of unremunerative property, and the inconvenience and expense of attorneys and investigating committees. In analyzing the present state liabilities which amount to the sum of $10,745,847, I find that two-thirds of the amount or $6,798,397 was incurred by reason of state aid, leaving only $3,947,450 as the amount of debt growing out of other sources. It will thus be seen how large a proponderance of our now onerous burdens of debt result directly from the practice of this pernicious policy. In addition to this, over six millions of liabilities growing out of the same source have been declared void because fraudulent, making an aggregate of some thirteen millions of such state aid liability imposed upon the people. It is a sufficient lesson from Georgia's experience in the practical operation of state aid to say that not a single enterprise that she has encouraged with her endorsement has been successful as an investment and all but one small road have either come to the state under failure with the state's liability [illegible] the bonds dated, or passed into the hands of a receiver, at either a partial or total loss of the state's interest.

Within the last few days the Atlantic and Gulf railroad at take stock in which the state issued and now owes $900,000 of bonds, given in 1858, 1859, 1860, 1861 and 1866, has passed into the hands of a receiver, with the certain loss of the state's interest. Perhaps no road ever received the state's endorsement under more flattering prospects of an assured future of solvency than the Macon and Brunswick railroad. Fifty miles of the road was in operation and eight more graded. Twelve hundred thousand dollars of private capital had been paid in, and eight hundred thousand more was pledged to be paid before the state should assist with her credit. The road connected the finest harbor on the southern coast with the central wealth of the state. Yet for three years the state has been paying interest on her endorsed bonds, has included these bonds in her liabilities, and is struggling with the problem of what she will do with the road.

There are practical considerations that cannot be overlooked in the investigation of such matters. A policy that violates the laws of trade in stimulating unprofitable enterprises that private capital is afraid to touch that taxes the whole people in the interest of sections, that threatens the integrity of the state's credit, and that has proven in its results an unbroken failure and without exception a cause of loss to the state, should not be adopted save for overwhelming and exceptional reasons.

Animated by these views of this subject, I have examined this especial case to see if in the provisions, restrictions and safeguards of the bill authorizing it, I could find such reasons as to make it an exception, witho t constituting it a precedent for action hereafter.

I have felt that great weight was due to the fact that this bill passed each branch of the general assembly by a two-thirds vote. This decided demonstration of legislative support and popular sanction indicate themselves that there was ground for regarding the measure as having unusual

HAYES AND THE SOLID SOUTH.

Forties past ten weeks our telegrams, as well as our exchanges, have been filled with rumors, hints and assertions to the effect that, should Hayes be elected president by the unhappily conceived electoral commission, his policy toward the south would be one not merely of conciliation, but would take the more tangible and substantial shape of a direct attempt to break up the democratic party in the late "rebellious" states, and thus divide and demoralize the tremendous political power known as the solid south. It is unquestionably true, moreover, that these rumors and assertions have their origin among prominent republicans who seem to be anxious to assure the country that the proscription which has characterized the administration of Grant will not be one of the features of the administration of Hayes; and whether they be true or not—whether they are insincere or whether they are intended to reconcile the south to the inauguration of a president elected by the most infamous frauds ever known to our politics—is not at all material. We are glad the rumors are current and that the assertions have been made. They come to us as words wrung from unwilling lips at the confessional that the south *has* been wronged, and that her people *have* suffered from the policy of injustice and proscription, which has been pursued by Grant and his tools; and, however tardy, it is well to have the confession from the radicals themselves that their party has connived at fraud in the southern states, and that their president has recognized and supported thieves, and robbers, and knaves in plundering state treasuries and in despoiling state governments.

It is only as confessions, however, that we can gather any consolation from the manifold rumors that Hayes will pursue a conciliatory policy toward the south, or that he will even go so far as to throw a tempting sop to sundry democrats for the purpose of dividing the party. It would strain credulity to even suppose that the administration of Hayes will be any different, so far as his attitude toward the south is concerned, from that which his party compelled General Grant to assume. Mr. Hayes will owe his elevation to the presidency to the very worst elements of his thoroughly corrupt party—elements that he cannot afford to ignore without incurring a charge of base ingratitude. He will owe his elevation to three returning boards, the members of which have never, even by their best friends, been accused of honesty. He will owe his elevation to such wretches as morton, Garfield, Cameron and the two Chandlers—to such travesties upon justice and right as the infamous eight who composed a majority of the electoral commission, and who, disregarding every impulse of honesty and fairness, proceeded to accomplish the ends that Chandler and the other conspirators had previously mapped out for them. It will be impossible for Hayes to ignore these men; it will be impossible for him to refuse to execute their orders or to go contrary to their wishes. The peculiarly infamous methods of his election will place him even more thoroughly under their control than the groggy-eyed imbecile who now disgraces the executive chair. He will absolutely have no will of his own, and one of his first official acts, under the direction of Morton and Chandler, will be an effort in which we believe he will most signally fail, to recognize the fraudulent governments set up in Louisiana and South Carolina by Packard and Chamberlain.

But if it should be otherwise—if he should attempt to divide the solid south by means of government pap judiciously distributed here and there—how conspicuously humiliating will be his failure! How can he hope to find a prominent southern democrat unworthy enough to accept office from a president who is indebted to the most unblushing and infamous frauds for his position? And if he could find one or a dozen democrats who would be willing to accept office under these circumstances, does he or his party suppose that this would break up the party in the south? Can it be possible that Hayes and his friends are so deluded—can it be possible that they have such little confidence in the integrity and honesty of southern democracy—as to believe that it is ready to disorganize for the sake of a few offices, or even for the sake of getting justice at the hands of a president who is a fraudulent president?

No! a thousand times no! The southern democrats ask no office from Hayes — they simply ask justice, and they have no hope of getting even that. They have trod the rugged paths of patience with too much persistence to be turned from their purpose at this late day. They have a mission to perform, and they propose to perform it. That mission is to join with the good men of the north and west in their efforts to rescue the government from the hands of the traitors, knaves and usurpers, and prevent, if possible, the destruction of the republic. It is their mission to aid in preserving the constitution and in perpetuating the form and substance of constitutional liberty. They have no other purpose, no other ambition, no other hope. If Hayes is fatuous enough to believe otherwise, let him make the experiment—let him make a proffer of patronage to the south and await the result. He will discover, after all his efforts to divide and disorganize, that the south will still be solid for honest government, and that the democratic party will still present an immovable front to the usurpation, despotism and fraud of which the radical party is the embodiment, and of which Hayes, as president, is one of the unhappy results.

A MAJORITY of the democrats in congress seem to be inclined to stand by the swindle that has been perpetrated upon them and upon the country. Isn't this bringing honor and patriotism down to too fine a point? The bargain the democrats made when they followed the lead of little Mr. Abe Hewitt and acquiesced in the commission business, was that both sides should have a fair and equitable hearing, but the result is that the democratic case has had no hearing at all. It is known of all men that Hayes has been counted in by the methods of infamy and fraud.

HANGED if we don't be heeled when the next presidential election comes along. We've got the Florida returning board all safe and the radicals have shown us how to manipulate it.

ISN'T there some law or something under the provisions of which little Mr. Abe Hewitt's name can be struck off the list of retired statesmen?

THE FRAUDULENT CABINET.

The papers were remarkably busy during the past week in constructing cabinets for the gentleman from Ohio who will probably be elected this week to the presidency by the national returning board. Enough brevet commissions have been given out to make at least fifty able-bodied cabinets; and we propose this morning to run over the names for the purpose of ascertaining, not Hayes' wishes, but the wishes of his supporters.

We begin with the premier. There has been less of a struggle for this office than for most of the other places. Perhaps two-thirds of the amateur cabinet-makers have appointed Wm. M. Evarts to Mr. Fish's office. It has been said that Morton would prefer Mr. Ben. Harrison, of Indiana, who is chiefly remarkable as the man who did not beat Blue Jeans Williams. Senator Edmunds has been mentioned; so has Senator Conkling; but republican current opinion points strongly to Mr. Evarts, and we may as well put him on our slate.

The secretary of the treasury is the next officer in importance. As to the coming man opinions differ. The following have been "mentioned": John Sherman, Bristow, John M. Forbes (Boston's handsomest man), Edward Atkinson, Prof. Francis Walker, Edwin D. Morgan, and Mr. Morrill, the incumbent, in pursuance of a bargain made when Blaine was sent to the senate. We put Senator Sherman on our slate. He knows that republicanism in Ohio cannot be depended upon to re-urn him to the senate, and he can have what he wants in the new cabinet.

For the portfolio of war there have been many nominations. Logan comes first, followed by Garfield, Don Cameron, Charles Foster, Senator Sargent, and Governor Hartranft. Some of the Bohemians have asserted that the place would be tendered to General Joe Johnston, but none of them have had the impudence to assert that he would accept it. We put Don Cameron on our list.

Eugene Hale, the son-in-law of Zach Chandler and the intimate friend of Jim Blaine, is walking over the course for the naval secretaryship.

Judge Stanley Matthews, Representatives Kasson and McCrary, and perhaps a dozen others, have been named for Father Taft's place. We unhesitatingly select Mr. McCrary, of Iowa, as a probability.

This leaves two vacant places—the postoffice and interior departments. These are generally assigned to the south. Let us see who have been appointed by the newspapers to these two places: Senator Alcorn, Judge Key, of Tennessee, Joshua Hill, of Georgia, ex-Senator Pool, of North Carolina, Judge Settle, of North Carolina, Gen. John M. Harlan, of Kentucky, John Hancock, of Texas, Gov. Brown, of Georgia, and Gov. Brown, of Tennessee. Several of these gentlemen would not accept any place Mr. Hayes might have at his disposal. We select Senator Alcorn and Gen. Harlan, thus making the list of the fraudulent cabinet read as follows:

Secretary of State—Wm. M. Evarts.
Secretary of the Treasury—John Sherman.
Secretary of War—Don Cameron.
Secretary of the Navy—Eugene Hale.
Secretary of the Interior—John M. Harlan.
Postmaster General—James L. Alcorn.
Attorney General—George W. McCrary.

NEW HAMPSHIRE POLITICS.

The first election of 1877 will occur in the Granite state on the thirteenth of next month, when a governor, three congressmen, a full legislature, and county officers are to be chosen. At the same time the people are to vote upon thirteen proposed amendments to the state constitution—an ancient document that has come down from 1792 with only a single amendment. Under the present constitution only Protestants can legally hold office. This will be changed. Other of the proposed amendments provide for biennial, instead of annual, sessions of the legislature, for a reduction of the number of members, and for the non-appropriation of public funds to institutions of religious denominations. A two-thirds vote is necessary to secure the adoption of any one of the amendments, and their rejection or adoption is not a party question.

The gubernatorial nominee of the republican party is Benj. F. Prescott, the present secretary of state, and a chronic office-holder. He is regarded as a very shrewd politician, and will probably poll nearly every available republican vote.

The democratic nominee is Daniel Marcy, an honest old ship-builder of Portsmouth. He was beaten last year, but he came out of the canvass with the respect of the best men in the state. He will poll the party strength, and more too. He is personally unobjectionable. He is a personally popular. His election is considered highly probable, although he is running against an untiring wire-puller and politician. The democratic convention was held on the seventeenth of last month, and the resolutions adopted by it are concluded as follows: "Believing that Mr. Tilden received a majority of the whole number of electoral votes, we pledge him our hearty and unqualified support in the full exercise of his authority in conformity with the constitution and laws of the land." The extent of the conspiracy of the republican leaders will be fully known before the election takes place, and its effects will be closely watched. Governor Cheney's majority last year was 3,508, and Hayes' was 3,030. The whole vote last November was 80,183.

The present congressional delegation consists of two democrats and one republican. In the first district Mr. Frank Jones, democrat, was elected by a plurality of 330. The district gave Hayes a majority of 784. Mr. Jones is running against General Gilman Marston. Mr. Jones has won many friends since he has been in congress, and will run largely ahead of his ticket.

The second district is represented by Mr. Bell, democrat, who does not desire a re-election. He was elected by a plurality of 154. At the November election the district gave Hayes a majority of 1,843. The democratic candidate is Alvan W. Sulloway, a young and energetic manufacturer, the republican candidate is Jas. F. Briggs of Manchester.

Henry A. Bair, republican, represents the third district. He beat Col. Henry O. Kent two years ago by a majority of 45. The same candidates are making the present race. The belief prevails that Col. Kent will be triumphantly elected, and so, the delegation will probably remain unchanged—the democrats losing the second and gaining the third district. The latter, however, gave Hayes a majority of 817.

HAYES can never succeed in breaking up the solid south with a stuffed club. He will have to wait for the great November [illegible] four years from now.

A NEW biography is promised soon of the great English preacher, Rev. George Whitfield, by Rev. L. Tyerman, author of "Life and Times of John Wesley." The proposed new biography will contain much original matter never before made public.

REPORTS from all parts of the country show that a revival influence has spread from church to church, and protracted meetings have resulted in large additions by baptism to the churches of the Christian denomination.

REV. H. R. REVELS, D. D., formerly colored United States senator from Mississippi, has retired from politics and is now president of Alcorn University in that state. He has also become conservative in his political opinions.

IN addition to Rev. Dr. Cross, referred to in these items recently, Rev. Dr. Milburn, the clergyman "Blind Preacher," and Rev. Dr. Ferguson, an able and honored divine, have come back to the Methodist fold from the Episcopal church.

THE Southern Presbyterian, of Columbia, S. C., favors and the Christian Observer, of Louisville, Ky., opposes, the adoption of a "Revised Book of Church Order." Both papers are very critical in discussing Dr. Plumer's criticisms on the present Church; they come upon the finely but finely to humble each other.

THE decision of the board of commissioners of the northern and southern boundary of Georgia, less than at Cape May Point, was in regard to the property of those citizens that it is more or to ownership. The first case settled under their decision is that of the church property at Staunton, Va., which had been in dispute for several years. It is now given over freely and unconditionally to the south ern Presbyterian church.

DANIEL ELLIOTT, formerly of Atlanta, but now living in Texas, has been appointed by the governor of that state, a delegate to the Centennial exposition. Mr. Elliott is a gentleman of fine abilities, and will make a most excellent representative of the state.

MARIETTA AND NORTH GEORGIA RAILROAD.

Learning that Gen. Colquitt had approved the bill leasing the property of this road to the Marietta & North Georgia railroad company for four years, we called at the executive office and obtained a copy of his message of approval, which we publish in another column.

The paper is exactly on the line of policy urged by THE CONSTITUTION and is a powerful state document. While the governor argues strongly and unanswerably against the general doctrine of state aid, he yet shows that there are irresistible reasons for favoring this special measure, framed as it has been without containing any of the objectionable features of ordinary state aid. The governor argues the question with great power and discrimination.

He discusses the matter exhaustively yet pointedly. He presents an array of argument in favor of the bill that leaves no ground whatever for opposing criticism. The most pronounced enemy of state aid must admit that the reasons advanced for the support of this measure are invincible.

The act is a patriotic boon to the people of Northwest Georgia that will be gracefully appreciated, that must meet the unqualified endorsement of every citizen of the state, and that will bring a rich return to the state in the shape of increase of state wealth and social and moral progress. That section is now practically a sealed book to the masses of the people of the state. When it shall be tapped by a railroad and made accessible, when its ores and products can seek the markets of the world, it will add a new chapter of prosperity to Georgia's history.

The matter has another important aspect. It begins the proper solution of the perplexing convict problem, in the inauguration of the system of the devotion of this element to the development of the state.

DELEGATES TO THE CONVENTION.

In every part of our state it behooves our people to look well to men who are to be members of the convention. The subjects to be discussed by this convention are very important, and require to be handled in the most delicate manner. No one questions the right of a state to remodel the organic law. But when a party with a very large majority undertakes the work, and it is done in a bungling manner, and irritating questions are unnecessarily brought before it and disposed of improperly, the result is harm to the party and great damage to the state. The responsibility will be very great, and it is a position no man should seek. The people should see to it that only men are sent who will be of service to the state. From all we can gather, the session of the convention will be very short—not over two weeks—and the fact that only a short time is to be consumed in the work is an additional reason why men should be sent to it for the purpose of serving the state and not themselves. Our section of the state should be especially careful not to send any dead weight to the convention. The capitol question will be before the convention, and we want the question of removal settled so that it will not be eternally discussed by subsequent legislatures. Let our people be on their guard in this matter and let every man who aspires be willing to yield to the wishes of a majority of his party, and let the selection of candidates be made from the best material in our midst, and with as little scramble for the place as possible. If we have a disgraceful scuffle in the election of members it will never good men, and result in putting men there who will be unable to serve us, and who will politically damn themselves.

MORTON, who is physically rotten and morally corrupt, ought to feel better now. Surely his vindictiveness is satisfied.

RELIGIOUS INTELLIGENCE.

Compiled for the Constitution.

BALTIMORE, like New York has a noon-day prayer meeting that has become a permanent institution.

THE Episcopal church almanac states that the present number of communicants reaches 284 835. The confirmations of the past year were 25,324.

REV. ROBERT B. SNOWDON, a Presbyterian preacher of forty years, has recently been ordained in the Protestant Episcopal church by Bishop Littlejohn, of Long Island.

THE Rev. William Falkner Browne, of Augusta, assistant of Rev. C. C. Prendergast, who recently sailed for Europe has arrived safely in London with improved health.

YESTERDAY was the Saturday in Ember week on which Roman Catholics are not allowed to eat meat. By special dispensation it can be eaten on all other Saturdays during Lent.

THE "Forty Hours' Devotion" at the chapel of Pio Nono college begins next Sunday. It does not, however, commence at the church of the Immaculate Conception in this city until the first Sunday in August.

GEN. GEO. D. JOHNSON, of Selma, Ala., has been sent out by the National Young Men's Christian association to lecture on the importance of Christian labor among the colored young men of the south, and organize the work in local associations.

THE members of the Baptist church at Augusta, of which Rev. D. Shaver, D. D., is pastor, are taking steps to build him a parsonage. The Chronicle and Sentinel speaks in high terms of both pastor and people, and hopes the project will succeed.

THE learned and venerable Rev. Wm. S. Plumer, D. D., L. L. D., of the theological seminary, Columbia S. C., publishes a caustic epistle against the new "Book of Church Order" which the Presbyterians propose to adopt.

THE mayor of Savannah, sent Rev. R. J. Cory, successor to the late Rev. E. H. Myers, D. D., of Savannah, $50 for the widows and orphans of his church, who were made so by the late yellow fever epidemic.

IT is encouraging to the promoters of this movement to know that the negroes in Milton, Ky., have succeeded in forming a Christian church of the own people, forty in number, and have appointed elders and deacons. Their preacher, for the present, is a white man.

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FACT AND COMMENT.

WALTER SCOTT'S house in Edinburg has been sold for less than $15,000.

THE democrats of Rhode Island hold their state convention March 7, and the republicans meet March 8.

FRESH guano discoveries have been made in southern Peru, which are said to be of immense proportions

JAPAN has ordered 72,000 glass lamps from Hones tale, Pa. They are not of the cera lean variety.

AN industriously patriotic couple living at Sharon, Pa., recently presented their fourteenth child for baptism under the name of William Centennial.

IT is alleged in partisan quarters, that the next admirals who have recently passed away so suddenly didn't want to live to hear from the "tribunal."

THEY tell the same story in New York that a man dressed in female clothes had his secret discovered because he shaved a gentleman who offered him a seat."

DAVID CROCKETT represented Tennessee in the United States congress, and his son, Jno W. Crockett, was also a member of congress and on the Harrison electoral ticket in 1840.

THE buildings for the great Paris exposition of 1878 are making rapid progress. Over 2,000 workmen are employed, with 1,200 carts, besides numerous barges and a circular railway, and all the work on the foundations has been completed.

THIS talk about anybody's assassinating Hayes is insane folly. Hayes will assassinate his own character and his party when he is inaugurated as our fraudulent preside t, and that is assassination enough.—New York Sun

FALL RIVER is overflowing with orders from South America. An agent recently sent there to open a market for American cotton has had admirable success. He reports the way as clear for a lively trade.

A WITTY writer has observed, with much truth, that every man is, in a sense, three different men. In the first place he is the man he thinks himself to be; in the second place, he is the man other persons think him to be, and, finally, he is the man that he really is.

PRESIDENT CHADBOURNE, of Williams college, wants Massachusetts to re-enact the prohibitory law. The only difficulty with the law is that, like the one the Italian monk proposed against having any more children born, it is extremely hard to carry out.

THE correspondent of the London Daily Telegraph took tea lately with an old Turk who told him that he needn't despair of seeing the fez give place to the round hat, and Turkish women going about unveiled, inasmuch as it is stated in the Koran that Islamism will change according to circumstances.

THE fine residence of Thomas C. Perry, at Asheville, S. C., which cost over $20,000, and on which there was no insurance, was totally destroyed by fire on Friday. The house was somewhat famous for having been that in which the last counsel of war of the Confederate States government was held on Mr. Jefferson Davis' flight into Georgia in April, 1865.

A BILL is now before the North Carolina senate to amend the constitution of the state so as to require each person who applies to vote to exhibit his receipt for poll tax for the preceding year. The republicans are opposing the passage of the bill on the ground that it would virtually disfranchise 25,000 or 30,000 colored voters and thus make the state hopelessly democratic.

THE Washington Republican, speaking of the physique of the United States senate, says it is probably composed of a greater number of handsome men than ever before in the history of the government. It would be difficult to select from American statesmen seventy-eight finer types of the Caucasian race than those who now go to make up that august body. That's the verdict of the ladies, and they ought to know.

ABOUT midwinter city editors throw out valuable hints and suggestions to farmers—something after this fashion: "Now is the time to paint your peahrush, and perform other indoor work. Whitewash your snow shovels now. Now look after your next season's bean-poles, and trim off all superfluous sprouts. Oil your garden rakes before spring sets in. Carry grindstones in the cellar to prevent freezing," etc. Farmers can save more than fifty dollars by not following this advice.

IT is worth being a president's daughter to have pleasant paragraphs of this kind written about your private affairs by reckless correspondents of the Cincinnati Commercial: "Mr. and Mrs. Sartoris will go, on the 20th of this month, to the cozy home of her aunt, the widow of Judge Dent, to whom they are most devotedly attached. Here her accouchment is expected in March, and the president and Mrs Grant defer their departure for Europe until she is sufficiently recovered to accompany them."

THE case of Justice Bradley is indeed a most pitiable one. Sometimes during the discussions of the commission he was completely cornered by other members. When he was laying down the opinion that it was not competent to go behind the governor's certificate, Senator Bayard put to him the question: "Suppose a state should elect double the number of electors to which it is entitled, or the electors of such state should vote for an alien for president, would there be no power to remedy this?" Unable to reply, Judge Bradley hung down his head in his abject partisanship.—Washington special to Baltimore Sun.

ULYSSES S. GRANT, jr., the president's private secretary, will leave Washington on March 5th, and go to New York to enter extensively upon work in the legal profession. On January 1st he became a member of the firm of Davis, Work, McNamee & Hinton, whose office is in the Equitable building, and about two weeks ago notices to this effect were sent to the members of the bar throughout the city. Mr. Grant pursued his legal studies at Harvard college and at the Columbia college law school. He was graduated from the latter institution about a year ago.

AT a recent swell wedding in New York the crowd outside was so great that it was impossible for the bridal cortege to drive to the church door. They had to alight a block from the church, and walk that distance in satin slippers, and the bride carrying four yards of train to the church. Brown received them and performed the bride that it was impossible to get her in the church. "Well," said she, "how can there be a wedding if I am not there?" Some such announcement as this caused the crowd to fall back, but the struggle to get in was compared to the crush at the centennial opening day.

THE largest roasting jack in England is a jack for the kitchen of the residence of the Duke of Westminster, known as Eaton Hall. It is twenty-two feet in length. The motive power is water, which is conveyed from the cistern to the water wheel by a three-fourths inch pipe. The wheel is four feet in diameter and five inches in breadth, and it sets in motion six horizontal and four vertical spits. Over the wheels, which communicate motion to the spits, are five oil boxes. The jack is capable of cooking about a ton of meat. It is entirely under the control of the cook, who can regulate its speed by simply turning a water tap.

UNITED STATES supreme court-room, while Senator Howe was speaking on the Louisiana case. Mrs. Tyler, widow of President Tyler, who occupies a seat next to Mrs. Howe, says to a lady friend on her left: "O, my gracious! when will that tiresome old man get through?" Mrs. Senator Howe (who is unknown to Mrs. Tyler), sharply—"There is no law to compel people to remain if they don't like it." Lady friend to Mrs. Tyler (loud enough to be heard by Mrs. Howe)—"That lady evidently doesn't know that she was speaking to the widow of President Tyler." Mrs. Eugene Hale (who sat on the left of the last speaker and loud enough to be heard by Mrs. Tyler, to a lady friend)—"And Mrs Tyler probably is not aware that the lady on her right is the wife of Senator Howe." Here the curtain fell.—Washington Star.

THE Washington correspondent of the Cleveland Herald tells the story of Charles O'Conor's wooing in the following interesting paragraph: The young and beautiful widow of Commodore McCracken, of the navy, returned from abroad after her husband's death, and finding her financial affairs in a complicated state, went to Mr. O'Conor to get his legal advice in disentangling them. Mr O'Conor, upon examination, discovered that the commodore had died insolvent, and the beautiful widow was left to the cold mercies of a selfish world without a penny to call her own. This he was obliged to break to her, whereupon she held up her hands in piteous dismay, crying, "Oh! Mr. O'Conor, what shall I do? I who have lived in luxury all my life!" "Madam," said the great lawyer, "the best advice I can give you is to marry me." Whereupon they were married.

"WILL you walk into my party?" says the president to the south;
"For your sense we'll open up the Mississippi's mouth.
And from the Federal treasury improvements you will find
Judicious and encouraged exactly to your mind.
Returning boards will 'do' shall perpetrate no crime,
And no negro be free from taxation save at the polls;
Every democratic office-holder has security 'at the front,'
And every democratic office-seeker has a chance to 'get there.'
Just walk into my party," says the president to the south.

—N. Y. World.

THE SCHOOL FUND.

OPINION OF ATTORNEY-GENERAL ELY.

A County Must Spend the Money as it Gets It—No Back Claims Allowed.

OFFICE OF STATE SCHOOL COMMISSIONER,
ATLANTA, GA., Feb. 1, 1877.

HON. R. N. ELY, *Attorney General's Office of Attorney General*: DEAR SIR—In the opinion recently prepared by you at the request of his excellency, the governor, respecting the claim of the city of Americus to certain past due and undrawn educational appropriations, you give your views not only in respect to the provisions of law immediately involved, but also in regard to other portions of the school law bearing upon matters of very wide and general interest. As the views of the law officer of the state government in respect to matters of general concern would doubtless be interesting to the people, I ask for a copy of the opinion for publication.

Respectfully yours,
GUSTAVUS J. ORR, Ex. Sec. S. S. Com'r.

ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE,
STATE OF GEORGIA,
ATLANTA, GA., Feb. 3, 1877.

HON. G. J. ORR, *State School Commissioner, Atlanta, Ga*: DEAR SIR—At your request I enclose copy of my opinion in the matter of the appropriation for public schools to be used as you may think best for the interests of said school system.

Very respectfully, your obedient servant,
R. N. ELY,
Attorney General.

ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE,
ATLANTA, GA., Jan. 26, 1877.

His Excellency, ALFRED H. COLQUITT, *Governor*, Atlanta—Yours of the 22d instant enclosing communication of Hon. Gustavus J. Orr, school commissioner of the state, by your excellency, dated the 20th inst., and, also, copy of communication addressed to your predecessor, dated the 25th day of November, 1876, makes the following statement of facts:

In 1874, in consequence of a false enumeration—return of the *pro rata* share of the school fund belonging to Thomas county—there was left in the treasury, after correcting said return, a surplus of two thousand three hundred and thirteen dollars and forty-nine cents ($2,313.49). This amount was reduced by a payment to Greene county, correcting an error in that county's apportionment, so that there is now in the treasury of that unexpended surplus the sum of one thousand eight hundred and fourteen dollars and fifty-two cents (1,814 52. It also appears that the county commissioner of Sumter county for the year 1874, failed to include in his enumeration, the school population of the city of Americus, and that, in consequence of this failure, that county has not been paid the full amount of the school fund to which it would have otherwise been entitled, and the same is true, also, for the succeeding year, 1875. The attention of the county school commissioner was called to this failure and he made a supplemental enumeration of the school population of Americus for those two years, and from this it appears that there is due Americus for 1874, the sum of six hundred and twenty-two dollars and seventeen cents ($622 17), and for the year 1875 the sum of three hundred and fifty-six dollars and sixty-six cents ($356 66) making a total of nine hundred and seventy-eight dollars and eighty-three cents ($978 83), which would have been due the county of Sumter if a full and complete enumeration of the school population had been made as required by law. It further appears that no schools were put in operation under the local laws, in Americus, for those years, in consequence of an injunction, granted by the courts, to restrain the levying of taxes. Under an assurance from the state school commissioner that the above sum would be at the disposal of the school authorities of that county, if they would put schools in operation, they proceeded to do so, for the past year, and now request that said sum, as well as the quota due Sumter county for the year 1876, be paid them out of the treasury. The state school commissioners, also suggests that this surplus, by the provisions of the school acts, does not revert to the general fund in the treasury as other undrawn appropriations do, and hence, he concludes that said sum of nine hundred and seventy-eight dollars and eighty-three cents ($978 83) can be legally paid to the proper authorities of Sumter county now.

The general question presented is, whether a county fails to put in operation public schools for a particular year, and afterwards, and during another year, does establish such schools, it is still entitled to the appropriation to which it would have been clearly entitled had the law been complied with at the time? The question may be asked, why, since the children were in the county, though not taught for that year, and the money is in the treasury, and the services have been subsequently rendered, should not the teachers be now well entitled to compensation as if these services had been rendered for each particular year? In other words, why should the year in which these services were rendered make any difference?

In the discussion of this question is involved the construction of the statutes having reference thereto, as well as the general policy of the public school system of this state.

The obligation on the general assembly to provide for a thorough system of general education to be forever free to all of the children of Georgia, has been imposed in the sixth article of the constitution of this state. This object is to be carried out by taxation, or otherwise, the office of state school commissioner is created, an educational fund is provided for, and one or more public schools are to be established in each school district in the state.

These are the grand authorities marked out in the fundamental law, the details are wisely left to the wisdom of the legislature who are to devise means for putting the system successfully into operation. Accordingly, we find that, perhaps, nearly every legislature since the adoption of the present constitution, has enacted laws affecting public education until the system has reached its present shape. It is a subject which may well engage the attention of the profoundest philosophers, statesmen and christian patriots. It may be remarked, in the first place, that the constitution and laws passed in pursuance thereof have ordained that this system shall be free to all; public schools are fountains erected by the state where all of her children are invited to drink "without money and without price." And this free and liberal quality is not to last for a day, but forever—as long as there is a child born in the land—or as it is requisite that children shall be educated in order to become useful citizens of the commonwealth.

The constitution uses the word "children" without declaring who are intended to be embraced in that class of persons. The act October 18, 1870, defines them to be those between the ages of six and twenty-one years, while the present law restricts them to the age of eighteen years, unless they be Confederate soldiers, and in this event they are treated as children until they have attained the age of thirty years—and so are entitled to the paternal and maternal care of the state. Even so the French invalides were called the children of France though they had grown to be gray haired veterans. Although the framers of the constitution and the makers of the laws have not provided schools for every day in the year, yet they have wisely concluded that it was better to take at least one step in that direction—that it was better that children should have some education, however limited, than none at all—in contradiction to that maxim of the poet:

"A little learning is a dangerous thing."

Accordingly they have made it a condition to the beneficence of the state that schools shall be kept in operation in each county three months in the year, unless in cases where, on account of sparseness of population, the county board may reduce the time to two months. A change of circumstances of the public schools seems since convinces every one that it is the intention and purpose to keep in operation in every county public schools for each and every year—and it is not necessary to discuss the question whether the educational power can be delegated to law by specifying a school for three months in the year, and by waiving so [illegible] four years, three months in the fourth year and go to school for the whole year. The law has declared in favor of the former plan, and, in my judgment, has wisely so declared, for the following reasons:

1st. A child's educational career begins at six years—at eighteen years it terminates. Of the large class of children included between these ages, it must always happen that there is a considerable proportion who have attained the ages of fifteen, sixteen and seventeen, respectively. Now, in the case supposed, if it were in the power of the county boards, although neglecting to put in operation schools in their counties for three years, yet in the beginning of the fourth year, establishing them for the whole of that year, to still be entitled to draw their full quota of the educational fund, the practical effect would be to exclude all children of the age of fifteen years and upwards, from all participation in that fund; for the simple reason that, when the schools were put in operation their school majority would have terminated. Can we suppose, for a moment, that such was the intention of the framers of the law? Can it be doubted that it was the object to have public schools established as soon as practicable, and have them so conducted as to confer the greatest possible good upon the greatest possible number of the children of the state? It is the duty of the courts and the executive department of the government to so cons rue the law as to effectuate and carry out that laudable object, and one effectual method of sustaining this public policy is by requiring the pro rata share of the school fund belonging to each county for a particular year to be paid for services rendered in the cause of education for that year only. It is impracticable in many counties of the state for children to attend school, excepting for a limited period in the year, their labor being essential to the maintenance of themselves and their parents, while the instances are rare in which they could not be spared from these necessary duties for three months of the year. Such being the policy of the law, a construction should be adopted, if possible, which will harmonize with and carry out that policy.

2. The great end to be attained by the public school system is the education of the children of the state—to train them mentally and morally; and a certain machinery has been devised for putting that system into operation. A state and county board of education is provided for; also state and county commissioners; a corps of teachers is contemplated; the yearly proceeds of the poll tax, as well as one-half of the annual rental of the Western and Atlantic railroad, together with other funds, are set aside, and the Bible, by strong implication, is to be the basis of all moral training in the public schools. As the funds intended to support the system are raised yearly, is it not reasonable to suppose that the schools are also to be kept annually in operation? What good result is to be accomplished by lying idle in the treasury? If the officers of the public schools are not required to discharge their duties annually may we not well suppose that the effect of such a course would be to encourage carelessness and inattention on their part. It has been shown above that the annual system gives all children, within the required age, the option of attending school, while any other must deprive some of that privilege; and those who are not entirely debarred from school must be placed at a disadvantage by reason of being kept in ignorance during several years when the mind is supposed to be most susceptible of mental and moral impressions. In other words the machinery devised by law to carry into effect the school system would be likely to become rusty by disuse, and at the same time the material upon which it is to operate would grow more difficult to be worked up. But why argue further as to the public policy of the act, when its requirements are so clear and unmistakable? That Sumter county has forfeited her right to this appropriation, if she ever had any, must be evident if we consider the provisions of section 1,264 of the code. It is not necessary to refer to the entire section as it is mainly intended to provide for the compensation of county commissioners, but the last proviso thereof is in these words: "And, provided, further, that he (county commissioner) may be paid at the state treasury, on executive warrant, drawn upon the school fund, out of the pro rata standing to the credit of his county, for any absolutely necessary service, rendered by him in cases where his county has forfeited her pro rata part of the state funds by failure on the part of the county board to make local provision for continuing the schools in operation the length of time required by law." The conclusion is irresistible that, when schools are not actually kept in operation in any county for a certain year, such county loses its right to its quota of the school fund for that year. This construction is entirely in harmony with other provisions of the public school law. In section 1,260 of the code, the state school commissioner is required, by the 15th of January, in each year to communicate to the county board of education in each county an approximate estimate of the pro rata part of the school fund falling to said county for that year, and when said board shall communicate satisfactory evidence to said commissioner that arrangements have been made by taxation or otherwise for continuing primary schools, free to all, for three months in the year, said county shall be held and deemed entitled to draw her proportionate part of the state fund, through the appointed channels whenever said fund is ready for distribution."

Until this satisfactory evidence is furnished, it must be clear that no right, title or interest in the school fund vests in a county. But how can Sumter county ever furnish such evidence that she has made arrangements to run schools for the years 1874 and 1875, when, in truth and in fact, no schools were put in operation in Americus for those two years? And now that the time has expired within which the evidence was to be furnished on which her right to the fund in question depends, her right to that fund is also forever gone. It is true that the concluding part of that section does declare that, until such evidence is submitted to the state school commissioner, said pro rata part of the state school fund shall remain in the state treasury, to the credit of said county. But how long is it to so remain? And what is the purpose of the law in allowing it to remain there at all? Evidently to give the board of education an opportunity to furnish the required evidence that satisfactory arrangements have been made to continue schools in operation in each county for three months in every year, and when the year has expired and no schools are established, as it is impossible to comply with the requirements of the law by producing evidence of a fact which did not exist, the corresponding right to the fund cannot be maintained.

Legislation subsequent to the last revision of this code shows that this is the true construction of the public school system. The act of 1875—pages 113 and 114—provides that, when official notice is given that the schools in each county are within three weeks of closing, and after the annual apportionment of the fund has been made, the state school commissioners shall execute an order on the tax collector of each county in favor of the county school commissioner for the quota of that county, thus furnishing additional evidence that the legislature contemplated yearly schools, and that the right to the appropriation depends upon the fact of having kept them in operation the time required by law in each year.

The act of 1874—pages 30 and 31—provides for the payment of existing debts for services rendered by school officers and teachers in the year 1871; but if it were considered necessary to enact this law when the services had been actually rendered before the appropriation could be made, how is it possible to sustain the validity of this claim of the city of Americus, when not a single step had been taken towards establishing schools in the years 1874 and 1875? The fact that the proper authorities were prevented, by any injunction restraining the levying of taxes, from putting them in operation, can not dispense with the requirements of the act, although certainly not their fault, yet the law, neither in general or special terms, provides this exception. It is the money to make this appropriation is in the treasury, it [illegible] a good ground for sustaining interposition.

Section 1272 of the code provides that any city with a population of more than two thousand to organize a school system, independent of the public school system, and to receive her *pro rata* of the fund; and the statement is the Americus did, during the last year, put schools in operation under the law. But this can not affect the question since, during 1874 and 1875, she did not have any public school either under the general or special law.

Respectfully submitted,
R. N. ELY, Att'y. Gen'l.

SOMEWHERE.

Somewhere, I know,
The sun and stars below,
Is made for me a quiet dwelling place,
Nor winter's drifting snow,
Nor spring time's gentle showers,
Nor summer's clustering flowers,
In all their pride, can cover or efface,
The unswerving shadow cast
By that lone house and hat,
That in some shady nook,
By whip-poor-will's note at break,
In some deep valley still,
On some high, barren hill,
Far off in foreign earth,
Or nearer home's dear hearth,
In flowery field or by the sounding sea,
Through all the fleeting years,
Waits for its allotted time patiently.

Somewhere, I know,
While sea-tides ebb and flow,
There in the days, those window nor yet door
Lets in the sun's red glow,
At noon, nor yet at night,
The kind stars' silver light,
I'll dwell alone, with eyes that ope no more,
With helpless hands at rest,
Folded upon my breast,
While near, yet far away,
To the glad light of day,
Even unseen, unheard, unfelt,
Live I ever and bee and bird,
And o'er me and around
Hang the chill, heavy ground
For aye, for aye.
Pray but that when I lie
Lost in that dreamless sleep,
For all, I still may keep
Some feeble consciousness of God above,
And through the eternal years
Some dim, sweet glimmering of those I love.

—Stuart Sterne.

Ten Cent Column.

Advertisements of "Wants," "For sale," "To Rent," "Lost and Found," &c., will be inserted in this column at Ten Cents a line, each insertion. All advertisements in this column must be paid for in advance; and none will be taken for less than thirty cents.

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FIVE DOLLARS REWARD—Stolen from New Holland Springs, a double-barrel shot gun, supposed to have been taken by a

...n's Daily Constitution

THE LIGHTWOOD FIRE.

BY JOHN HENRY HOWER.

When wintry days are dark and drear
And all the forest ways are still,
When gray, snow-laden clouds appear
Above the black horizon hill—
When cattle all are snugly penned,
And sheep are huddled close together,
When steady streams of smoke ascend
From farm-house chimneys—ih such weather
Give me old Carolina's pride:
A great log-house, a hearthstone wide,
A well-filled pile of clay or brier,
And a red, leaping lightwood fire.

When dreary day draws to a close,
And all the silent world grows dark,
When borean down the chimney blows,
And sparks fly from the crackling bark,
When limbs are bent with snow and sleet,
And owls hoot from the hollow tree,
With hounds astir about your feet,
"Tis grand to sit in peace and see—
Give me old Carolina's pride:
A great log-house, a hearthstone wide,
A cheerful pipe of clay or brier,
And a red roaring lightwood fire.

ROUNDABOUT IN GEORGIA

—Hayes ought to be inaugurated in Augusta. He would not only be away from the crowd and avoid Don Piatt's vengeance, but could have the benefit of a circus pageant.

—Mr. Eliss Bell, a one-armed man living near Thompson's station, on the Central railroad, killed six turkey gobblers at one shot. The sixty segregated ninety-three pounds in weight.

—An infant child of Judge J. W. Downs, of Bowdon, fell from its sister's arms the other day and was so severely injured that it died within a few hours.

—There is a revival among the English sparrows at Macon.

—The town commissioners of Irwinton are right mad with the editor of the Southerner and Appeal, but, as is usually the case with these confounded editors, he seems to have the best of it.

—The town of Washington is excited over some stains of blood that were found on the sidewalk, and there is a suspicion that somebody was stabbed.

—Mr. Wesley O. Connor, principal teacher of the deaf and dumb institute at Cave Spring, was in Atlanta yesterday. Under the new administration of the institution Mr. Connor will be appointed principal and superintendent. He is confident that when the asylum is thoroughly re-organized its charities will be more beneficially operated than ever before.

—A negro girl was burned to death recently in Wilkinson county.

—A little son of Mr. Robert Wood, of Bullock county, was killed by a falling tree recently.

—The editor of the Conyers Courier uses the pseudonyon of "Jacob" when he writes machine poetry.

—Tom Collins and two other Collinses, cut and slashed and shot each other in Emanuel county the other day. The coroner thinks he will get a job before the week's out.

—A colony of English sparrows occupy the ivy on the walls of the first Baptist church in Macon.

—The dwelling house and other buildings on the premises of Mr. A. P. Harp, near Flint River Factory, were consumed by fire recently. The loss is about $2,000. The fire is supposed to have been the work of an incendiary.

—The Fort Valley Mirror gets rid of tramp printers by telling them that the Perry Home Journal needs a printer.

—A thief stole a trunk from the house of Mr. Henry Dean, of Harris county. The trunk was carried off some distance, broken open and fifteen dollars in greenbacks taken out. There were several hundred dollars in gold and silver in the trunk, but the thief was in too extended a hurry to find it.

—Mr. S. W. D. Caraway has become proprietor of the Thomaston Herald, with Mr. John T. Dickey as editor, Mr. J. C. McMichael retiring.

—Some of the boys at St. Joseph's Orphanage, at Washington, ran away the other day and started to walk to Savannah. They were captured and carried back.

—Dahlonega Signal and Advertiser: Rich gold deposits are being discovered constantly in all parts of this section, and the gold fever is head and shoulders over zero. An old miner from Nuckolsville district informs us that he, in company with another gentleman, are making preparations to erect a small size stamp mill within a short distance of an immensely rich deposit in that neighborhood. The erection of the mill will commence as soon as water can be carried to a desired point.

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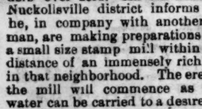

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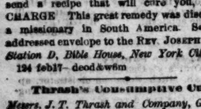

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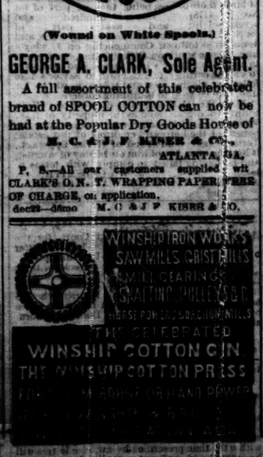

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SATURDAY'S SHOOTING

WM. PETTIS FATALLY WOUNDED BY THOS F. BLACK.

A Quarrel that brought a Pistol into Requisition—Two Shots in a Man's Side—The Wounds Probably Fatal Ones.

Yesterday afternoon, at about two o'clock, the vicinity of lower Alabama street, between Lloyd and Pryor, was startled by the sounds of pistol shots, the breaking of a pane of window glass in the second story front window of Judge Lawson Black's office, and a moment or two later by the appearance upon the street of a man bleeding profusely from wounds in the head.

THE SHOOTING AFFRAY.

"There is a man killed up stairs!" was the quick and frightened remark that passed from man to man, as an excited and anxious crowd gathered around the foot of the stairway leading to the room where it was ascertained that an affray had taken place and the shooting done. Its truth was soon learned to be as follows. That a quarrel had arisen between Thomas F Black, son of Judge Lawson Black, register in bankruptcy, and William Pettis, late United States store keeper, and well known to the citizens of Atlanta; that in the encounter Black had shot Pettis twice and that the latter was lying up stairs in a dying condition. We give the facts concerning the deplorable and possibly fatal affair as clearly and fully as could be ascertained.

WHO THE PARTIES ARE.

Thomas F. Black is the only son of Judge Lawson Black, register in bankruptcy, and is a much esteemed citizen. He is a young man about 27 or 28 years of age, a lawyer by profession, and of liberal habits of life. He has not generally been credited with an irritable temper or very violent passion.

William Pettis is a man of about 58 years of age, has a family of a wife and several children, two of his girls being about grown. He is a locomotive engineer, and one of the best in the state, but for several years past he has been connected with the revenue service in subordinate positions. He is a man of strong frame and constitution of free, genial habits of life, and has always been looked upon as a hard man to handle in a rough and tumble fight.

CAUSE OF THE QUARREL.

As far as we could gather the facts leading up to the tragic rencontre, they are as follows:

At a tax sale some time ago Mr. Black purchased a lot belonging to Mrs. Pettis, that had been levied upon and sold for taxes. The tax title, or tax fi. fa., was transferred to him. He had collected, it is said, a part of the money due thereon and was seeking to get the balance. His efforts in this direction gave offense to Mr. Pettis, it is presumed, and Mr. Black was heard the other day to say that Bill Pettis had failed or refused to speak to him when they met and that he was kicking up about the tax fi. fa. matter. Mr. Black seemed to be considerably angered by this conduct upon the part of Pettis.

THE UNLUCKY MEETING

Yesterday afternoon, shortly after one o'clock, Col. A. R. Culberson, a lawyer of this city, whose office is in Judge Black's office, and who is the attorney of Mrs. Pettis in the matter at issue between her and Mr. Black, was sitting with the latter in their office. They were before the grate and had just finished eating a luncheon. As they were sitting there, Mr. Pettis entered the room for the purpose of consulting with Colonel Culberson, and, it is thought, without any idea that he would meet Black in the room. As Pettis entered, Colonel Culberson, who knew the state of feeling existing between them, arose and said something to the effect that both were there, now, and that there was no need of trouble in the matter; that he thought they might arrange.

Both of the men took seats on either side of Colonel Culberson, and a very considerate conversation ensued between the three. Colonel Culberson thought an understanding had been reached and that there would be no more trouble in the matter, when he heard one of them say:

"You told a damned lie about it, anyhow!"

He is inclined to think that Mr. Black made the remark, and that Mr. Pettis replied:

"If you say that, I say you told a damned lie yourself!"

THEY BOTH ARISE

from their seats and continued to talk, and Mr. Culberson, attempted to pacify them. Pretty soon, it appears, Black made some motion toward the rear of his person, when Pettis said:

"If you have got a weapon, draw it and shoot if you want to!"

Black did not draw any weapon, and Colonel Culberson concluded he had none about him. There was a heavy iron window weight upon the sill close by, and Black picked it up, but did not offer to use it. Then the lie was passed again, and Pettis made some movement as if to resent it, when

THE TWO MEN CAME TOGETHER

in the north end of the room in a fierce encounter. Col. Culberson put himself between them as much as possible, attempting to separate them. While this was going on, he said to them:

"Stop, gentlemen, you must not have any thing of this sort in here!" or words to the same effect.

And during his strenuous effort to separate the men,

BLACK FIRED HIS PISTOL

around Col. C's body at Pettis. From this point there is no defined statement of what took place. But in the briefest of intervals, Pettis had the pistol in his hand and the men were separated, Black bleeding profusely from a severe wound in the upper center of his forehead and from a fearful cut upon the inside of his under lip from violent mashing against his teeth.

Pettis put his hands to his left side and turned to Col. Culbereon with the remark:

"I AM SHOT AND KILLED!"

He sat down in a chair immediately and seemed to be in the agonies of death.

Mr. Black turned and left the office. He passed down the stairs, out upon Alabama street, and was going toward the police station when taken in charge by Lieut. Mike White.

Mr. Pettis, as Col. Culberson started to summon a physician, asked that the priest be sent for. He was made comfortable upon a pallet hastily made upon the floor, and Dr. Charles Pinckney was soon by his side administering medicine and necessary stimulants.

Father Reilly also soon arrived and received the confession of the supposed dying man, and administered to him the extreme unction of the church of Rome.

Mr. Pettis' family were summoned and remained by his side during the afternoon and until his removal some hours later to his residence at No. 10 Mechanic street, near the

THE WOUNDS

were inflicted by balls from two small nickel-plated revolver. The balls entered Mr Pettis' body on the left side about an inch above the lower vest pocket, and ranged back, one of the balls at least perforating the lower lobe of the left lung. One of the balls lodged under the skin of the back near the spine. The other ball has not been traced, as the wounded man was not in a condition to undergo the operation of probing. Late in the afternoon he rallied considerably from the shock of the shots and the physicians present expressed the opinion that, if no internal hemorrhage were taking place, there might be hopes of the recovery of the wounded man. The perforation made by the balls in the vest of Mr. Pettis were burned, and one of the bullets, fortunately, was diverted from its direct course by striking the lower end of his spectacle case, which was in his upper vest pocket.

HOW HE BEHAVED.

After the shock had worn away Mr. Pettis lay upon his pallet in considerable pain, but was entirely conscious and readily recognized all friends who approached him. He called the name of our reporter and remarked to him:

"Well, this is a pretty heavy local, ain't it?"

He also spoke to others in a familiar way and when asked how he felt, insisted that he was worth several dead men, yet."

He said to the priest, who had made a like remark complimentary to his fortitude:

"Oh, father, I am not afraid to die; and I am not afraid to live, either."

He exhibited a clear patient regard for his condition and for the situation in which he was, and hopeful good spirits all the time.

WHAT MR. BLACK SAYS.

Our reporter called upon Mr. Black last night and questioned him some statements which appear below.

It will be understood that when Mr. Black left the room where the shooting occurred he was arrested by Lieut. White and taken to the police station, where he remained about an hour. As no one appeared to make out a warrant against him he asked Lieut. White to do so. Shortly after he requested that he should be transferred to the county jail, which was done.

THE CONSTITUTION reporter visited him in cell No. 2 where he was located with George Clark and another young man.

Mr. Black's face was in a terrible condition. His head was much swollen from the blows on the forehead, where quite a gash was hidden by court plaster. His lip was also deeply cut, both eyes were badly bruised and his left cheek battered and bruised by blows. Mr Black showed plainly that in the encounter he had fared very badly and received considerable injuries. He did not appear to have been intoxicated.

In reply to our question he stated that he had nothing to say for publication further than that the public should wait a judicial investigation of the case before making up a judgment upon it.

In further conversation he stated to our reporter that he had acted entirely in self-defense. He stated that he was first assaulted by Pettis with the iron window weight, and that had not Culberson warded the blow he (Black) must surely have been killed. He said that he felt his only safety was in quick action, and that he shot in order to save himself. He contended that Colonel Culberson's presence there saved his life, and that, while Culberson did not aid him in the slightest, he prevented his (Black's) death at the hands of Pettis.

THINKS HE WILL GET CLEAR.

Mr. Black also stated that he was not at all afraid of the result of a legal examination into the facts of the case. He was satisfied that as soon as the facts became known he would be held to have acted in a justifiable manner. He said he expected to get out of jail on Monday, when he supposed an examination would be had. He had no idea of the case going further than through a committing trial.

He warmly expressed the hope that Mr. Pettis would recover from his wounds and live many years to come. He said that he regretted the occurrence as deeply as any one could, and did not suppose that any one who knew him would attribute to him a murderous intention.

He showed considerable anxiety to know how his father was taking the unfortunate occurrence. He seemed to think that any expression of hope, or of doubt, upon the part of his aged and loving parent would largely determine the fortunes of his case. He was very much solicitous to know what Judge Black might have said about the matter.

A FATHER'S GRIEF.

Judge Black lingered about the scene of the tragic occurrence for several hours, and his swimming eyes and distressed face caused many a heart to go out in sympathy for the troubled old man. He was anxious to know the true condition of affairs and seemed to feel that an hour of supreme trial had come upon him. He was quiet and considerate, and though underneath a rough exterior, there was a breaking heart; his grief never out, manifested the heartfelt and sincere grief which he mingled with the dolorous cries of the wounded man's household.

ALMOST A CALAMITY.

At the reports of the shooting and from the wild hurrying of the crowd that swarmed the place, a mule attached to a dray became frightened and attempted to run away. It ran against a car on the McDonough street line, just then passing, and run the shaft through the side of the car. Several passengers were on the inside and at least one of them made a narrow escape from severe wounds from glass broken from the car window. The car was badly smashed and had to be withdrawn from the line the balance of the day.

THE PRELIMINARY EXAMINATION

will doubtless take place to-morrow before Justice Butt. Whether it will or not depends largely upon the condition of the wounded man. If he should die, or his injuries leave but little hope of recovery, the examination must be delayed some time. But should the physicians be prepared to testify that his injuries are not fatal, examination might be had to-morrow. Mr. Black, in any contingency, feels satisfied that he can be cleared upon a preliminary examination.

He says he acted in self-defense and sincerely hopes that Mr Pettis may recover.

MR. PETTIS' CONDITION.

At 11:30 last night the report from Mr. Pettis was that he was in a very critical condition. And that there was little to be hoped in the way of a change for the better. It is even seriously apprehended that before these lines reach the morning reader he will have passed from time to eternity.

Such is the story of yesterday's bloody work, and it is the prayer of all good men that many days may come and go before the like is seen again in our midst.

Y. M. L. A.

Thanks by Messrs. English and Hill.

We desire, in behalf of the Young Men's library, as well as ourselves individually, to return sincere and grateful thanks to the following ladies for their most generous contributions to the refreshment department of the late fair:

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In Hymen's Halter

Our Augusta exchanges publish the marriage in that city on the 22d inst of Dr George S. Cassin and Miss Mary G. Bothwell.

The happy couple reached Atlanta on yesterday, and will spend a few days with the groom's mother in-law, Mr S. A. Echols.

Dr. Cassin was an Atlanta boy, highly esteemed by a large circle of friends. He was at one time one of our city physicians. The rollicking boy, George Cassin of a few years since would hardly be recognized in the sturdy planter of to-day. He has been for four years upon his fine farm four miles below Augusta, on the Savannah river.

A common wish a host of his friends in this city, as we wish George and his fair bride a long and happy wedded life.

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IN HOLY PLACES.

ATLANTA CHURCHES AND WHO ATTEND THEM.

Plenty of Room and to Spare.

A curious philosopher has asked, "what becomes of all the pins?" While this question is being settled, it may be asked as a matter of pastime, "what becomes of all the people?" and we restrict the inquiry merely to the incidents and accidents of this terrestial orb, and then will draw in the lines until we simply surround our own little, busy, ambitious, progressive city; nor will we ask what becomes of all the Atlantese during the six stirring, hot and, may be, sinful days of the week, but if they will simply give an account of themselves on Sunday we will rest content.

The magnificent conundrum with which we began is by this time dwindled into a comparative microscopic local problem. Nevertheless, its interest is no less at home unabated, and the difficulty of its solution is brought very little nearer to an end.

If there were some huge beer gardens in the city limits where loafers most would congregate" to while away Sunday's quiet hours, or some rollicking, reckless suburb where gaiety might prolong her reign into a complete cycle without reference to laws human or divine, we might at once account for the whereabouts of a thousand or two of our worldly population while their more righteous brethren were laying up treasures in heaven.

Our laws are so strict however that they will sanction the existence of no such wicked localities, and Sabbath breakers are compelled to dodge about in corners to lounge about the suburbs or to hover over the sinks of misery and sin that spread their various influence through every large community.

Of course a christian gentleman has one prime duty to perform every Sunday, and that is to go to church and behave himself while there. This is the very thing that about one half our adult male population fails to do—the proportion of heathen women is to the honor of their sex very much smaller.

A zealous preacher of missionary religion once startled a congregation in this city by stating that the Sandwich Islands are sown by statistics to be more thoroughly christian than Fulton county, but the inquiry of a few curious persons proved that the preacher had stated a very homely fact, but after all a fact.

Atlanta is full of churches. Half a dozen denominations are hard at work, and they have furnished ample accommodations to those of their faith.

The following is a list of the Christian churches now used, most of them being completely finished:

Methodist—Seven.
Baptist—Seven.
Episcopal—Three
Presbyterian—Three.
Catholic—One.
Christian—One.
Lutheran—One.
Northern Methodist—One.
Besides a handsome synagogue.

The sitting capacity of these churches can be estimated at sixteen thousand without any exaggeration. A few of the more elegant and more popular of this number are well filled every Sunday, but in most of them one sees a long array of empty benches to discourage the worthy minister.

The above estimate refers only to the white population, of which we have, men, women and babies, about 20,000 Calling 6,000 of this number men or boys about grown, we can safely say that at least 3,000 of them never go at all, and perhaps five hundred could make the boast of the old bummer who said the other day that he hadn't heard a sermon since he used to sit on his mother's lap in church.

It is evident that Atlanta men don't love to go to church, and it may be that the proportion of those who stay away is larger here than in the average city of 35,000 inhabitants.

These facts are not very wholesome to read, and they form the text of many a stirring appeal from local pulpits, but somehow the "hard cases" don't seem to soften, and the ranks of the Sunday bummers are not perceptibly thinned. The soft spring days, with their warm sunshine and balmy air, will soon be here, and to this large class a stroll through the streets, a morning talk on the hotels, or a lounge in the woods and meadows, will perhaps present attractions that will woo them away from the solemn precincts of temples of worship.

It may be a want of faith, but from past experience and present data, it does appear that there will ever be a large class in any community who, while they congratulate themselves upon its Christian light and moral excellence, and enjoy the blessings they confer, will nevertheless stand outside the pale of the good work and forget all about Sunday but its ringing of bells, its closed shops, and the sweet rest from labor that it brings, even to the wickedest man in town.

Y. M. C. A.

State Convention.

The Georgia Young Men's Christian association will meet in general assembly at Newnan on the 18th of April. There are now about fifty associations in the state, and it is expected that this gathering will be exceedingly large.

Atlanta has been greatly honored by the convention, as Walter R. Brown is president of the body: Wm. A. Haygood member of the state executive committee, and C. G. Eckford is to open the exercises at Newnan. Over one hundred delegates will attend the convention from all parts of the state.

Music.

Mr. Guilford is renting pianos and organs now every day. He has a large assortment of new and second hand pianos on hand for sale or rent on the most reasonable terms. It should not be forgotten that Mr. Guilford is the wholesale southern agent for the great Estey Organ and the Weber Piano, and is the only exclusive dealer in pianos and organs in the south. Purchasers will do well to call on him at 52 Whitehall street before purchasing elsewhere. Feb21-1t 309.

An Elegant Testimonial.

The clerical force of the senate recently made arrangements to give a substantial token of their esteem for Col W. A. Harris, the secretary of the senate, in the shape of a handsome present. By some means their intentions became known to Col. Harris, who promptly informed them that he would not, in times as hard as these, allow his clerks to draw on their pittances merely to compliment him. The clerks, however, were not to be balked, and, placing the seal of secrecy upon their designs, purchased an elegant gold watch and chain and, through Mr Henry H. Cabaniss, presented it to Mrs. Harris, the accomplished wife of the secretary of the senate.

Good News!!!

John Keely's sidewalk has been impassable owing to the large lot of goods which he has been receiving and the consequent accumulation of boxes, etc., in front of his store. He has just opened—

6 000 yards Beautiful New Spring Prints.
2 cases each of "Wamsutta," "Fruit of the Loom," Lonsdale Cambric.
10 cases other Brands of Bleached Goods, bought low, to be sold cheap.
5 cases cheap White Piques.
1 case good quality do.
12,000 yards Hamburg Edgings and Insertions, at half price.
20 pieces Black Alapaca, 35 cents, per yard, worth 60 cents.

A GREAT VARIETY IN

Parasols, Collars and cuffs, Ties, Silk Handkerchiefs, Ruchings White Goods, including Bishop Lawns Checked and Plain Nainsook, Jaconet, Swiss, etc; Spring Tweeds for Men and Boy's wear, Fancy Goods Notions, Hosiery, etc

Come at once; the goods are new, and the prices lower than the lowest.

SHOES

As usual, our shoes are good, being all made to order, every pair warranted. No shoddy. No trash amongst them. A splendid assortment of Children's, Misses' and Ladies' Shoes in every variety of styles. Just opened at

JOHN KEELY'S,
Corner Mitchell and Hunter streets.
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Kid Gloves

In all the new party shades in 2, 3, 4, and 7 buttons, just received, at

CHAMBERLIN, BOYNTON & Co.'s.

New Goods to arrive every day this week, at CHAMBERLIN, BOYNTON & Co.'s

CARPETS in large variety of new patterns to arrive during this week at unprecedented low prices, at

CHAMBERLIN, BOYNTON & Co.'s
317 feb25 d2t

THE ROZIER MURDER.

THREE MEN ARRESTED AT SPARTA AND COMMITTED.

Detective Monaghan, of Atlanta, Works Up the Case.

(Sparta Times and Planter.)

On Tuesday morning quite a sensation was created in our town by the arrest of the town marshal Mr. M Y. Grimes, and Messrs W. R. Lovett and Columbus G. Barns, at the instance of detective Monaghan, of Atlanta, who has been here several days.

The preliminary investigation began before the county judge Tuesday, and consumed that afternoon, Wednesday and Thursday.

Gen. F. Pierce, Esq., appeared for the state, and A. Miller DuBose, Esq., for the defense.

A very large number of witnesses were examined on either side. Great interest was manifested in the investigation by our citizens generally.

The investigation closed yesterday evening, and after the argument of counsel, the prisoners were committed to jail to await trial at the April term of Hancock superior court.

The result of the investigation caused great surprise, on account of these gentlemen in the community. There is deep sympathy for the men and their families, and a strong hope that they may prove their innocence before the courts. But many of their best friends, who have the utmost confidence in their innocence, admit that the chain of evidence fully established the grounds for the action of the committing court.

TOWN TOPICS.

—There were 733 bills introduced in the house, and 184 in the senate, making 917 in all. The legislature was a bilious body.

—Messrs. Paine Brothers & Co., of the Georgia mills, 47 Forsyth street, are turning out superior boiled meal. All grocers have it.

—The president of the state Sunday-school convention has appointed the following fraternal delegates to the Y. M. C. A. convention meeting in Newnan, April 18: J. N. Hutchinson, W. C. Smith, Grantville; A. J. Blalock, Barnesville; E. M. Word, Decatur; W. W Lumpkin, Athens; W. H. Branch, Greensboro; W. P. McClatchy, Marietta; H. F. Bell, Cumming; W. F. Price, Dahlonega; DeLamar Turner, Sparta; Rev. G A Nunnally, Rome; Thos. Moore, J. C. Hendrix, Atlanta.

—W. B. Kendrick has been appointed agent for Kiddle & Schem's cyclopedia of education The cyclopedia will be a large octavo volume of 850 pages. Prices range from five to ten dollars.

—Rev. J. P. Duncan will preach at the First Methodist church this morning.

—The committees appointed to bring up the unfinished business of the two houses of the legislature are hard at work.

—The Gainesville convention will be attended by a dozen interested citizens of Atlanta.

—Tramp, tramp, tramp, is the music that is becoming all too monotonous in this city.

—The recorder and the "soiled doves" are at logger heads it seems.

—Rumors of large corn-planting in this section indicate a more sensible farm policy

—Real estate is looking up a little.

—Female fashions are less arbitrary now than they have been for years past. We are tending fast to the golden social age when ever body and his wife will dress as they please.

—The Georgia legislature is a national topic, as all the papers are speaking of the magnificent reforms it inaugurated.

—In some cities policemen are not furnished with billets, but the blue clad conservators of peace in Atlanta carry rosewood clubs that would fell an ordinary bull.

—The possum trade has been much smaller this year than last. Are we relapsing into barbarism?

—Dupree and Benedict's minstrels will be along this way soon.

—The Rossini and Beethoven clubs both contemplate giving grand concerts at an early day.

—Drink your beer before dinners.

—The library will be moved to its new quarters soon.

—The directors of the Y. M. L. A. will give their young lady friends a hop in the new library hall to-morrow night.

—A little Sunday school boy has an idea that Stone mountain was made just for picnics.

—The Atlanta public schools are in a state of insurrection; they did not regard Grant's proclamation, but regarded Washington's birth day just as usual.

—Loafers and boozy brethren were thick on the streets last night. Good humor and mischief bubble over once a week.

—Paying up of election bets has begun, and hat men wish we had semi-annual presidential elections.

—Peter Berron has become one of Atlanta's fixtures, and he oscillates between his suburban residence and his city establishment the very picture of content and good humor.

—The police have succeeded in ridding the streets of several nuisances of late, and they still cry "reform."

—The flower trade has commenced on the streets, but the maidens who vend them are somewhat more dusky than the fair, frail creatures who furnish the bouquets for Parisian dandies.

—The abatement of the lottery has thrown a few dozen enterprising citizens out of employment.

—A dozen or two legislators still linger upon the scene of their fireside glory.

—School boys have a legend that an old Indian chief is now living in seclusion in this country.

THE COURTS.
The Supreme Court.

CIRCUITS:

Macon	26	Augusta	10
Flint	14	Middle	3
Coweta	11	Ocmulgee	10
Rome	1	Eastern	24
Cherokee	17	Brunswick	4

SUPREME COURT OF GEORGIA,
February 24, 1877.

MOON CIRCUIT.

No. 2. Argument concluded.
No. 4 Flanders & Hurtsenia vs. Maynard, Trover, from Bibb John P. Fort, Wootten & Simmons, for plaintiffs in error. John C Rutherford, W. D. Simms, contra.

At the commencement of the argument of Mr Stone, the court adjourned until 10 o'clock A M on Tuesday next

Harkham House Arrivals.

ATLANTA, Feb. 24, 1877.

G A Nunnally, Rome; C J Slimer, Nashville; W H Johnson and wife, Columbus; E D Jones, Ky; Miss B J Pauling, Va; C P Crawford, Milledgeville, John A Miller, Ky; W Bell, Hazlem, Ga; T B Brockbanks, Knoxville; W W Lawrence, Maryville, Tenn; T P Jones, Ga; A L Crawford, A J Crawford, New Castle, B H Henderson, H Heam, Shaub, Pa; Emerson L Foote, St Louis; N H Bayleds, Paris, Ky; C B Clark, Buffalo; K A McKinnie, Hawkinsville; Wm M Lewis Marietta.

Classical Concert.

Mrs Mary Madden, the accomplished and popular pianist of the Beethoven club, assisted by some of the leading talent in this city, will favor the citizens of Atlanta with a classical, instrumental and vocal concert on the evening of March 6th, at DeGive's opera house. The programme will comprise selections from the works of the great masters, and will offer to the refined taste of all lovers of pure and beautiful music one of the richest feasts of the kind ever presented to our community. Details of the programme will be given a few days before the concert.

We can safely assure our people an evening of rare enjoyment, and we expect to see assembled on this occasion one of the most select and proper elective audiences ever assembled at the opera house.

Just Received

a full line of a new style of Maltese Lace, Torchon Lace, Pilelliue Silk Lace; also Pilleiuie Maltse, which are the latest novelties, at Furchgott, Benedict & Co. feb26-1t

A. Satzky,
Merchant Tailor, has removed to No. 4 Peachtree.
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ATLANTA, GA., Feb. 21st, 1877.

Mr. Editor: I wish to say to the business men of Atlanta that I will soon be out of the Georgia Legislature, and, with a position in some good business house to travelling agent or salesman (if industrious and honest), and can give any information they may desire. I will work at reasonable rates during the session. Address me at Atlanta. Yours obedient,

JOHN KEELY.
Corner Mitchell and Hunter streets.
215 feb26-d1t

A Grand Institution for Atlanta.

Two years ago Dr. Steinbeck Wilson opened opposite the Markham house, where he still continues, the first Turkish bath in the gulf states; and he still gives the only genuine hot air Turkish bath, having large rooms of different temperatures, hot air rooms for shampooing, in which the pure, dry, warm air is brought in contact with the 20,000 square inches of the lungs—essential features of the Turkish bath; to which its comfort, safety and efficacy are mostly due.

Encouraged by the success he has had, he has fitted up elegant separate rooms for ladies, where they can, at all hours of the day, enjoy the delightful luxury and health-giving action of this bath free from interruption or exposure, under the supervision of Mrs. Dr. Wilson.

He has also added the Roman bath, recently introduced into this country. This is a specially prepared lubricating ingredient used after the Turkish Bath or Shampoo Bath, to smoothe and polish the skin, and to remove any roughness or abrasion, giving a velvety softness to the roseate bloom brought out by the Turkish bath.

These baths are becoming very popular with our ladies, and now that spring is coming on, Dr Wilson's delightful rooms will be the favorite resort of those seeking health, pleasure and beauty. No more delightful place could be found. Here they will find everything neat, clean, quiet, secluded and all